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BIRTHS.

BELL—December 24, 1935, at Johannesburg, to Philippa (nee Knox), wife of Oliver Bell, a daughter.

BENNETT—December 21, 1935, at the Portsmouth Arms Hotel, Enniscorthy, to Kathleen, wife of John J. Bennett, a son.

GALLAGHER—December 22, 1935, at the Leinster Nursing Home, Dublin, to Mr. and Mrs. J. Gallagher, Greenmount, Strabane, a daughter.

GLANVILLE—December 23, 1935, at Summerville, Dundrum, County Dublin, to Mr. and Mrs. Eric V. Glanville, a son.

McMULLEN—December 22, 1935, at 63 Eccles street, to Mr. and Mrs. B. J. McMullen, 5 Cremorne Park, Glasnevin, a son.

THOMPSON—December 22, 1935, to Amy (nee Rogers), wife of William F. Thompson, Cahan, a son.

MARRIAGES.

POWER and CHRISTOPHER—November 27, 1935, at St. Mary's Parish Church, Dungarvan, with Nuptial Mass and Papal Blessing, by the Very Rev. Canon Ryan, P.P., Ballynacae (uncle of bride), assisted by the Very Rev. T. Canon O'Brien, P.P., V.F., Dungarvan, Paul J. Power, third son of Patrick Thomas and of Mrs. Power, Dungarvan, to Mary, elder daughter of John and of the late Mrs. Christopher, Dungarvan, County Waterford.

STURGEON and BURGESS—December 10, 1935, at Stouffville United Church, by Rev. W. S. Dickson, Kenneth T., son of Mr. T. and the late Mrs. Sturgeon, Churchill, Ontario, Canada, to Sheila Emilie, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burgess, Beechy Park, Rathvilly, County Carlow.

DEATHS.

DELMEGE—December 28, 1935, at 55 Wellington road, Dublin, Louis Edward Delmege, L.R.C.S.I., L.R.C.P.I., aged 82 years, youngest son of the late Julius Delmege, of Rathkeale, County Limerick. Funeral private. No flowers.

GLEAVE—December 29, 1935, at 76 Leinster road, Rathmines, Dublin, Esther (Essie) Rosetta, dearly-beloved wife of Thomas J. Gleave, and elder daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. John Cratt, of Neston, Cheshire. Funeral, Neston Cemetery, Cheshire, to-morrow (Tuesday) afternoon. No flowers.

HARDY—December 25, 1935, at Plymouth, after a long illness, Joseph Alexander Hardy, for many years Resident Magistrate of Mallow, County Cork, Ireland.

HOPKINS—December 27, 1935, at 21 Whitwell road, Southsea, Elizabeth Carmac, widow of Commander Hopkins, R.N., and eldest daughter of the late Captain Newburgh, 1st Life Guards, 'Beach Cottage, Bray. Deeply regretted.

JONES—December 25, 1935, at 8 Whitworth place, Drumcondra, Annie, widow of the late Francis Jones, formerly of 75 Middle Abbey street, Dublin. Deeply regretted by her sorrowing son and daughters and large circle of friends. R.I.P.

JONES—December 25, 1935, at her sister's residence, Roseville, Mountmellick, Ellen Jones, aged 80 years. First John, Chap. v, verses 19 and 20.

McDWYER—December 28, 1935, at his residence, 59 Marlborough road, Donnybrook, Dublin, Patrick McDwyer, ex-Sergeant, R.I.C. Funeral to Collies, Cavan, after 10 o'clock Mass at Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook, this (Monday) morning, 30th inst.

MEEKE—December 26, 1935, at The Mount, Waterford, County Antrim, Arthur H. Meeke, M.D., T.C.D.

PERY-KNOX-GORE—December 25, 1935, at Westward, Warsash, Southampton, Edmond Arthur Gore Pery-Knox-Gore, of Coolcronan, Ballina, County Mayo, aged 74.

PURDON-COOTE—December 29, 1935, in Dublin, Harriette Louisa, widow of the late Charles Purdon-Coote, of Bearforest, Mallow, County Cork, aged 84 years. Funeral (private) to-morrow (Tuesday), December 31st, at Mallow Church at 2 p.m.

RICKERBY—December 29, 1935, at his residence, Tomacork, James Rickerby, aged 77 years. Funeral to Carnew to-morrow (Tuesday), December 31st, at 2 p.m.

SARGENT—December 23, 1935, in Manchester, Henry, youngest son of the late William Sargent, Builder and Contractor, Naas, County Kildare, aged 45 years. "Thy will be done."

STEVENSON—On Christmas Day, 1935, Marjorie, daughter of the late Eva M. Stevenson (nee McQuade), aged 23. "Nearer, my God, to Thee."—Emily and Olga.

TAIT—December 29, 1935, at his residence, 13 Thurlestane terrace, William Tait, late of Cottober, Coothill. Funeral to-morrow (Tuesday) to Mount Jerome.

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THOMPSON—December 27, 1935, at Hillsboro, Old Finglas road, Glasnevin, William Gordon Thompson, aged 57 years. "Thy will be done." Funeral to-day (Monday), arriving at Mount Jerome at 9.45 a.m.

WILKINSON—December 27, 1935, at her residence, 45 Belgrave square, Dublin, Elizabeth, widow of John Wilkinson, Esq., Newtown Park, Trim, aged 86 years. Funeral to-day (Monday), 12 o'clock, at Tullagh. No flowers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for this Column will be found on Page 6.

IN MEMORIAM.

BAYLOR—In never-failing memory of my beloved brother, George William (Willie), who passed away on December 30th, 1931, at his residence, 19 Otteran place, Waterford.—Gerty.

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COPE—In fond memory of our dear boy, Herbert, taken Home on December 30th, 1931.—Prumplestown, Castledermot.

DUDGEON—In loving memory of James Dudgeon, who died on 30th December, 1917. "Peace, perfect peace."

DUKE—In ever-loving memory of George Noble Duke, who died on December 30th, 1930.

HARRISON—In loving remembrance of Evangeline Harrison, wife of E. G. Harrison, Inchicore, called Home on 30th December, 1934.—M. and H.

HENDY—In loving memory of our darling Daddy, John Hendy, who died on December 27th, 1931, at Spring Lodge, Athy. "Until the day break." Inserted by his loving wife and family.

NESBITT—In loving memory of Uncle, who died on 29th December, 1929.—Kathleen.

O'REILLY—In loving memory of my dearly-loved wife, Violet, who died on December 29th, 1933. R.I.P.

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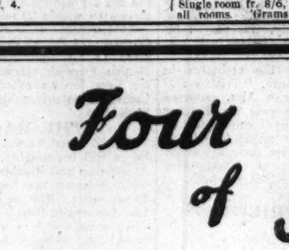

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A meeting under National Hunt Rules was to have been held there on November 13th last. This was abandoned because of the general election. No fixtures were made under National Hunt Rules for the course during the remainder of this season.

The growth in popularity of pony racing in the London area has been almost as fast as that of greyhound racing. Prior to 1922 a number of small race meetings were held in the West of England, conducted under no recognised rules. At the end of that year a conference, attended by representatives of these meetings, was held in Exeter, and, as a result, the Pony Turf Club was formed. In 1926 the club was well established and rules to govern its racing were drafted.

In 1928 it was decided to build Northolt Park, which was the first course under Pony Turf Club Rules in the London area. The executive of that meeting also controls Portsmouth Park.

PERSECUTION OF JEWS

LEAGUE INTERCESSION SUGGESTED

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Sunday.

Intercession by the League of Nations to stop persecution of Jews is urged by Mr. James Grover McDonald, Chairman of the Foreign Policy Association, in a letter tendering his resignation from the post of League High Commissioner for Jewish and other refugees from Germany.

In his letter to the Secretary-General of the League, Mr. McDonald says that aiding oppressed minorities requires "friendly, but firm, intercession with the German Government" by the League itself rather than philanthropy.

Mr. McDonald asserts that Jews in Germany are starved and deprived of all economic security. He describes the situation as "a challenge to the science of mankind, a threat to international peace, and a source of injury to other States."

Mr. J. G. McDonald was appointed on October 26, 1933, by the League Council as High Commissioner for the organisation on an international basis of assistance to refugees, Jewish and others, coming from Germany. Mr. McDonald had previously visited most of the countries directly concerned in the refugee problem.

CREW RESCUED BY BREECHES BUOY

BRITISH SHIP ADRIFT AT OPORTO

The thrilling rescue of the crew of the Cardiff steamer Maud Llewellyn (1,454 tons) when it broke adrift from its moorings at Oporto during a violent gale is described in messages from the captain, received yesterday by the owners. The crew were rescued by breeches buoy, and the ship went aground inside the bar.

It is not yet known what damage she has received, but the crew were standing by ready to board her as soon as the storm abated.

The owners of the Maud Llewellyn are the Cardigan Shipping Company. She is commanded by Captain Russell, of Cardiff, and has a crew of sixteen. She has been engaged to carry a cargo of pitwood from Oporto to the Bristol Channel.

MISS JEAN BATTEN INJURED

FORCED LANDING IN HILLY DISTRICT

Miss Jean Batten, interviewed at Bepton, near Midhurst, last night with regard to her forced landing near the South Downs on Saturday, said: "I consider myself very lucky, indeed, to have escaped with so little damage."

The propeller and the under-carriage were the only parts of the machine to be damaged.

Describing the mishap to a reporter, Miss Batten said: "The district is very wooded, and there are a lot of hills. It was just over one hill when the engine conked right out. It righted itself, but immediately went again. The cause might have been some grit getting into the carburettor.

Miss Batten suffered from bruising and a cut forehead, which had to be stitched. She stayed overnight at a hotel at Benton and planned to travel to London either last night or this morning.

SOCIAL CREDIT PARTY

MEETING IN NAAS

Addressing a meeting of the Social Credit Party at the Naas Town Hall last Saturday night, Miss M. J. Keating, secretary, stated that it was the intention of the party to present a widely signed manifesto to the Dail, and if this was not accepted by the Government they would contest the elections. If they were in a position to present such a manifesto they should also be able to contest the elections.

They were not, however, a political party, and their ranks were open to all political creeds. Their aim was to abolish the present monetary system, which was admittedly a failure, and to organise the people to agitate for a change.

Mr. Stephen Rynne, organiser for County Kildare, and Mr. J. B. Walsh also addressed the meeting.

MAN DROWNED IN FLOODED RIVER

MYSTERY OF AN ENVELOPE

An envelope bearing the address, "Professor Pringle, Physiological Laboratory, Dublin," is one of the few clues which the police have to help them solve the identity of a man who was seen to drop into the flooded river at Grantchester, near Cambridge, on Saturday.

The envelope was found in the basket of a bicycle which was resting against a hedge near to the spot where the man entered the water. He was carried swiftly away by the swollen river and was drowned.

On the rear mudguard of the bicycle there was pasted a piece of paper bearing figures relating to research work. The paper had evidently served as the necessary white patch at the rear of the bicycle.

It is believed that the man used the bicycle; but, of course, it cannot be certain that it was his property. The police spent hours dragging the river.

The envelope bearing the address, "Professor Pringle, Physiological Laboratory, Dublin," cannot be explained by relatives of the late Professor Pringle.

The man who was drowned was identified as Mr. Arthur Ruse (42), of Hardwicke street, Newenham, Cambridge, and the bicycle was standing against a bush near to the spot where he fell into the river.

Professor Harold Pringle died in Dublin on December 7th last, and the interment took place two days later at Clones, County Monaghan.

Relatives of Professor Pringle cannot understand how the envelop with his address on it came to be in the basket; for, as far as they knew, the late professor had no relatives in Cambridge or the neighbourhood.

It is understood that Mr. Ruse was not known at Trinity College, Dublin—at least, not for the last fifteen years.

SOVIET-URUGUAY RUPTURE

"ORDER OUR CHEESE OR —"

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

MOSCOW, Sunday.

Because the U.S.S.R. refused to be blackmailed into giving Urguay a large order for cheese is one of the possible reasons advanced by *Izvestia* for the rupture of diplomatic relations between the two countries.

"Some time ago," writes *Izvestia*, "the President of Uruguay persistently tried to obtain from the U.S.S.R. an order for a large consignment of cheese, and he let it be understood that in the case of the non-placing of this order he would hardly be able to oppose anti-Soviet agitation in Uruguay.

"This demand was clearly of a blackmailing nature, accompanied by a threat of rupture of relations, and was, of course, rejected."

The newspaper states that the rupture has no essential importance, as the exchange of missions between the two countries took place as the result of a request from the Uruguay Government to which the U.S.S.R. agreed, although it has no special interests in Uruguay.

"We suppose," the writer adds, "that the Soviet Government for its part will take measures to oblige Uruguay to prove its 'accusation' against the U.S.S.R. before the League of Nations."

SHIP'S MANAGER RESIGNS

WRECK COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Mr. Sydney Graham, registered manager of La Crescenta, the oil tanker which was lost with her crew of twenty-nine in the Pacific in December last year, has resigned from Messrs. Harris and Dixon, Ltd., the London Steamship Company, of which he was a director.

La Crescenta was owned by the Crescent Navigation Co., Ltd., for whom Messrs. Harris and Dixon, of Gracechurch street, are the managers.

Lord Merrivale, who was Wreck Commissioner, held an inquiry into the loss of the vessel, and found that the causes of the loss were contributed to by the wrongful acts of the owners, the Crescent Navigation Co., Ltd., and of Sydney Graham, registered manager of the ship, and Ralph Henry Holland, "who gave evidence before us as manager of the shipping department of Harris and Dixon, Ltd., managers for the owners."

Mr. Graham told a reporter yesterday that his resignation has been before the board, and became effective this week-end. He would make no comment upon his resignation, saying, "It is too painful a subject." The Crescent Navigation Co., owners of La Crescenta, lodged an appeal in the High Court against the findings of the Court, that the "wrongful acts and default" of the owners had contributed to the disaster.

ROSITA FORBES'S NEW TRIP

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

CAP MARTIN (RIVIERA), Sunday.

Rosita Forbes (Mrs. McGrath), the famous woman explorer, is to leave here in a few days to fly to Burma, where she will undertake what is expected to be one of the longest expeditions of her career.

As in her trek through Abyssinia, some ten years ago, Miss Forbes will be unaccompanied, and will penetrate to regions where white people have never before set foot.

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FINE TRIBUTE TO DR. LARCHET

ON RETIRING FROM THE ABBEY

HIS VALUED MUSICAL ACHIEVEMENT

DR. J. F. LARCHET, who has retired from the directorship of the Abbey Theatre orchestra after a period of 27 years, discharged that office for the last time last night. The occasion was a complimentary performance of three plays, given in the presence of a crowded house of Abbey Theatre devotees and admirers of Dr. Larchet's work as musician and composer.

Dr. Larchet received an ovation on appearing in his place in the orchestra, and throughout the evening his appearances in the orchestra and on the stage were marked by hearty applause, as an expression of the audience's appreciation, and its regret at his departure from the scene of a long career of success.

The three plays performed were:—"The Rising of the Moon," by Lady Gregory, in which Messrs. F. J. McCormick, Michael J. Dolan, Fred Johnson and W. Wright took the parts; "The Land of Heart's Desire," by W. B. Yeats, played by Barry Fitzgerald, F. J. McCormick, M. J.

DR. J. F. LARCHET.

Dolan, and Christine Hayden, Eileen Crowe and Shelah Richards. It was a highly-finished performance, in which the singers were Miss Renée Flynn (soprano solo), Miss Hilda White and Miss Lorna Flynn. "Meadow Sweet," by Seumas O'Kelly, was played by Arthur Shields, Maureen Delany, P. J. Carolan and Eric Gorman.

Dr. Larchet conducted the orchestra in Weber's "Oberon" Overture, "Tristan and Isolda" (Wagner), and Irish Airs, arranged by himself. The audience paid Dr. Larchet and his orchestra the unusual compliment in a theatre of listening to music in silence, and were well rewarded for their attention. Dr. Larchet was the recipient of many personal compliments and heartfelt farewells.

PERSONAL TRIBUTES

At the conclusion of the plays,

Mr. Lennox Robinson said that Dr. Larchet had been with the theatre for 27 years—and had been there two years when he (Mr. Robinson) came in 1910. He then conceived a great respect for him, which he had never lost. When he first knew Dr. Larchet he was a young, distinguished Irish musician, with a career in front of him, and since then he had become a Doctor of Music, an important member of the Academy of Music, a great teacher and examiner, and what he had not done for music in Ireland was not worth telling.

In the musical life of the country he had been a most important force. He had many duties, none of which he overlooked, and he was the distinguished head of the Abbey Theatre's little orchestra, and that orchestra was not one of the least important things in the theatre. It was no small thing to have such fine music poured out from that little orchesra as they had heard month after month and year after year. Theirs was the only theatre in the world to-day in which the music was not potted, tinned and canned.

"As long as I am a director of the theatre," said Mr. Robinson, "I shall fight for fleshy fingers on the strings and for genuine music."

When Dr. Larchet lays down his baton his position will be taken by a young Irish musician and composer, Mr. May, a young man of great musical distinction.

He pointed out that the performance that night was for the purpose of paying for a portrait of Dr. Larchet, which would be presented to him when painted. On that occasion Dr. Larchet would conduct on that stage an orchestra as big as it would hold, and give a concert. Everybody present that night would be invited as soon as the date was fixed.

There was one other person he wanted to include in his tribute to Dr. Larchet, and that was Mrs. Larchet, a beautiful musician, who had often taken her husband's place at the piano in the orchestra.

They wished Dr. Larchet many years of happiness in which to continue his creative work.

DR. LARCHET'S REPLY

Dr. Larchet, replying, thanked the directors of the theatre for allowing the performance to be given there. He was sure they would not mind if, in doing so, he singled out the name of Lennox Robinson, because he had known him the longest. Their long association of twenty-five years in the theatre had always been of the friendliest and most cordial kind. He referred to the crises with which the Abbey was said to be confronted at one time and another, and said that it seemed to survive everything, and he believed it would always continue to do so. There was a good deal of talk nowadays about the good old days of the Abbey, but in his belief the good old days of the theatre were here now.

After twenty-seven years he would say that, as far as he was concerned, they had the finest company now in that theatre that they ever had. There was never any better performance of "The Land of Heart's Desire" than they had witnessed that night. He hoped that there would not be another crisis and that none of the present company would go from them; it was up to the audiences to see that they did not.

In thanking the members of the orchestra for the loyalty they had given him during his time with them he called them "my loyal companions of the orchestra." Their loyalty, said, was beyond words, and he was glad of the opportunity of publicly showing his gratitude to them. He thanked also the singers who had contributed to the programme that night, the stage hands, and the audiences and the Press for the wonderful support they had always given to the theatre.

His successor was Mr. Fred. May, a pupil of his own, and he felt very proud of him.

"I am saying," he concluded, "not goodbye, but rather *slan libh, auf weidersehen*, or *au revoir*."

The attendance included:—The Lord Mayor (Alderman Byrne, T.D.) and the Lady Mayoress and Miss Byrne; Mr. T. Derrig (Minister for Education), Lord Longford, Lady Milton, the Hon. Mrs. Plunket, Senator E. Blythe, Mrs. W. B. Yeats, Dr. Walter Starkie, Mr. F. R. Higgins, Mr. F. O'Connor, Mr. J. Holloway, Mr. and Mrs. James McNeill, Dermod O'Brien, P.R.H.A., and Miss B. O'Brien, Colonel and Frau Fritz Brase, Stephen Gwynn, Miss N. Jellett, Miss B. Jellett, Miss M. Craig, Miss E. Young, T. C. Murray, J. Montgomery, Mrs. Bulmer-Hobson, J. B. Yeats, Senator Johnson, A. E. Malone, A. J. O'Connell, Miss Hopkins and Miss R. Mooney, T. Purefoy, Mrs. Lennox Robinson, M. O'Higgins, J. Burke, Seamus McCall, Madame Lucy Donnelly, T. J. Gogan, Miss Bermingham, Leo Moran, and Hugh Hunt.

NEW AIR LINKS THIS WEEK

DAILY SERVICE TO MADRID

TO LENINGRAD IN ELEVEN HOURS

A DAILY air service between London, Madrid and Lisbon, which starts operations on Wednesday, inaugurates a series of similar undertakings which this spring are to link up Britain with almost every European capital.

A passenger air service is to be opened between Hull and Leningrad by way of Gothenburg, Stockholm and Helsingfors. At the same time, at Glasgow, officials of the Northern and Scottish Airways, Ltd., are planning a 4½-hours' flight between the Clyde and Norway.

On the London-Lisbon route a stop will be made at Bordeaux. A machine will fly each way six days a week, the journey taking nine and a half hours. Fares will be 17 guineas single and 32 guineas return. The four machines to be used on the service will each carry one and a half tons, including four passengers, freight and mails.

SERVICE TO DENMARK

It is understood that Crilly Airways, Ltd., the British company operating the service, have obtained official air concessions from the Spanish and Portuguese Governments.

Two British companies are to operate on the London-Copenhagen route. One of these, a new venture, British Scandinavian Airways, Ltd., among the directors of which are Lieut.-Colonel Moore-Brabazon and Lord Halsbury, aims at a three-hour passenger service. Starting with a daily service, this is to be extended within the next six months to an early morning, morning and afternoon flight in both directions.

Passengers will travel by train from Charing Cross to Gravesend airport. The latter has been selected for the British terminal because it is almost always free from fog. The return fare will be £17.

LENINGRAD JOURNEY

Once the service has been established, it is intended to extend it to Stockholm, Danzig, across the Baltic to Helsingfors, and then to Leningrad. The present journey by air to the latter city, by way of Germany, takes 35 hours. Once this new service is operating, it is hoped that Leningrad will be brought within 11 hours of London.

The machines to be used, originally intended to carry 12 passengers, have been re-designed, for purposes of comfort, to take only eight. They are double-engined, have a cruising speed of 200 m.p.h., and will fly considerably higher than the usual passenger aeroplane at 6,000 feet. When flying over the sea for a distance of 170 miles they will always be within 50 miles of land.

At the same time Sir Percy MacKinnon, Chairman of British Continental Airways, has come to an agreement with the existing Danish, Swedish, German and Dutch national air lines for an extension of their existing Croydon-Amsterdam line to Copenhagen and Stockholm.

THE MACHINES

Flying time between London and Copenhagen will be, roughly, six hours, by way of Amsterdam and Hamburg, with a 100-mile sea flight between the North Foreland and the Dutch coast. The machines to be used are four four-engined de Havilland 12-seaters.

An aerodrome is now under construction at Stockholm. When it is completed the service will be extended from Copenhagen by way of Malmo. The latter section of the route, over 320 miles of mountains and lakes, will be indicated by an unbroken line of electrically-lighted beacons.

LABOURER'S DEATH MYSTERY

ARSENICAL POISONING SUSPECTED

A *post-mortem* examination will be made to-day on John Scott, a 30 years old labourer, of St. Kew Highway, Bodmin, Cornwall, who died in hospital at Plymouth late on Saturday night with symptoms resembling arsenical poisoning.

Mr. Scott, who was married and had three children, was taken ill on Boxing Day with internal pains, and on the advice of his doctor was removed on Saturday to hospital, where he died eight hours later.

An official at the Prince of Wales Hospital, Plymouth, stated on Saturday night that death was probably due to arsenical poisoning, but information was refused yesterday pending the result of the *post-mortem* examination. It is understood that neither the Cornwall County police nor the Plymouth police are considering as yet the possibility of foul play.

NEW FLIGHT RECORD ATTEMPT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

LE BOURGET, Sunday.

The French airmen, MM. Saint Exupery and Provost, hopped off here at seven o'clock this morning in an attempt to beat the record for the flight from Paris to Saigon (French Indo-China) set up earlier this month by M. Andre Japy. Their route lies via Tunis, Syria, Cairo, Basrah, Karachi and Rangoon.

M. Japy had a remarkable escape from death at Baghdad yesterday, when his 'plane crashed while taking off and was smashed to atoms. He was on his way back from Saigon to Paris at the time.

WOMAN'S WORLD

ARRANGING A THEATRE PARTY

Solving the Entertainment Problem of the Flat-Dweller

INVITATIONS to dinners, dances, bridge and evening parties are lovely to receive and delightful to accept. Often, however, their "return" is extremely problematical to the woman who is not living at home, and also to the married woman whose house does not lend itself to party-giving.

Actually, the most complimentary way in which to entertain real friends is to invite them to share just the best that can be offered of the every-day goods available. Quite excusably, however, one hesitates to treat acquaintances in this informal manner. When one's estate consists of the smallest of flats, merely glorified bed-sittingrooms, a solution of this problem will be found, provided the financial position is strong, in the ever-appreciated "theatre party."

SUCH A PARTY

Here is a description of just such a party, given in Dublin this year by the owner of a very miniature home. The hostess in question is one of those popular people in frequent demand at other people's parties, and she endeavours to make return for all the invitations she receives.

It seemed to her quite an easy matter to invite two or three friends at a time to her little home. But she soon discovered, and experienced hostesses will agree with her, that this was quite the most extravagent way of entertaining, entailing, as it does, the frequent excessive use of lighting, fuel, fresh flowers, and choice foods.

Having proved this fact, she decided this year to pull in her financial horns, and endeavour to fit a greater number of people into fewer "parties." And it was from this point that the idea of the theatre party emerged.

First, she got information from different theatres of what show was coming three weeks ahead, and also she verified what the seats would cost. Having compared the various value offered, she made her choice.

THE CARDS

Her invitations were quite formal, and were issued well in advance of the selected date. The cards gave the title of the play, the name of the theatre, and the date of the invitation. A special footnote requested a reply by return. No bookings were attempted until all replies were forthcoming.

Then came a chat with the booking office attendant, who quite entered into the spirit of the occasion, and took a great deal of trouble to book the seats to the best advantage for a big party. Not in one long row, but in small rows, exactly behind each other.

Incidentally, this arrangement led to a spot of bother when it came to settling who was to sit where! Indeed, the hostess found it necessary to devote a whole evening to the allotment of the seats, and, when the matter was settled to her satisfaction, she posted the numbered ticket to each guest. This precaution insured that she would have no anxiety in regard to late-comers or non-arrivals; actually, be it recorded, there were none of either.

REFRESHMENTS

At this point other problems presented themselves. There was, for instance, the matter of refreshments. First she decided to arrange for this service at the theatre, which, for a small expenditure, would save her all trouble and responsibility. But second thoughts—so often best thoughts—urged that, as the best part of a party was the discussion afterwards, it would be much better fun to squeeze all the guests into the flat for coffee after the show.

Prior to the night itself, she borrowed all the vacuum flasks available, and took the precaution of testing them with boiling water to make sure that they were unbroken.

Then came the day itself. The early afternoon she spent making her "best effort" coffee, which she poured piping hot into the heated flasks. She whipped cream for those who liked it "white," and made lots of sandwiches for all.

Flasks, sugar-barley, sandwiches, cups, saucers and cream were piled on the shelves of a tea wagon, and supper awaited the guests. In the grate a substantial fire was well slacked down, and the gods of fire invoked to keep it alight.

ALL READY

The kind landlady offered the assistance of her maid, but this was politely refused. All was in readiness, the guests would have fun waiting on themselves, and, frankly, there was no room for even the smallest of maids in that very limited space.

Part of the fun of the evening was the hostess's last minute rush to dress in time to make an early arrival at the theatre. She awaited her guests in the vestibule, where she had first procured programmes for the ladies of the party.

After the show the little "all-ready" supper proved the crowning point of a successful party, which ended on a high note of congratulation and thanks. It is interesting to note that financially also the party was claimed by the hostess to be distinctly favourable.

Perhaps these details may help those who feel that they want to do some out-of-the-ordinary entertaining during the holiday season. Certainly, whether the guests are young or old, they are sure to be enthusiastic in their appreciation of a well-run theatre party.

MARY BARRY.

Women Seem Just Twenty

CHARMING ILLUSION OF THE PARIS FASHIONS

ONE of the leading French designers is quoted as saying this year that all women seem just twenty—so effective are the new fashions in producing this illusion. And such an utterly charming illusion it is! So simple, so unadorned, and with just a tiny note of sophistication to distinguish it from the fussy, frilly type.

Being well dressed is a process of elimination. The best dressed woman is she who can take most off and appear the slimmest. A single layer of something simple, and for adornment, perhaps, a bracelet, a pearl necklace, a brilliant jewelled snap somewhere on the corsage, a flower or two, and there you are!

The art of being well dressed is to combine the passing fashion with one's more or less permanent self. Frenchwomen consider themselves well dressed when they are wearing the most popular model of the season. They want to look like the year after next.

THE HAT STORY

Many of the new Paris hats are inspired by those worn by the Florentine pageboys in the Middle Ages. Another of the new hats is inspired by the Egyptian headdress, which recedes from the forehead and is turned back to make a triangular flap at the side of the head.

Other hats have narrow, rolled brims supporting flower-like arrangements of feathers, such as pink feathers on a black hat, and have gloves, made of panné velvet, to match. One of the best of the new hats is from a very famous milliner, and it goes by the name "Marquis de Paris." It is a hat for morning wear, of felt, velvet or satin; it has a narrow brim that is turned over at the edge; the crown is higher in back than in front, and there it is a little bit crushed down and held by a *gros-grain motif*. This is a perfect hat to wear with a tailored suit.

In Paris the brims of hats are of all sizes; no matter how small the hat, all suggest a brim, except in the hats obviously inspired and adapted from the "tam-o'-shanter" or the Basque béret. And all are trimmed with feathers, flowers, ribbons or fantastic little ornaments.

Fashion is still very, very elastic, and to be the "last word" one must have a little of everything—a big brimmed hat, a soft hat, a shaped hat with a little brim (all trimmed and all showing a little colour), the extra touch of the flower in the buttonhole, as applied to the head.

THE FIRST SHOWING

The first showings of early winter styles have not been without their sensation. We have, for instance, witnessed the appearance of the aeroplane hipline, with its broad frill folded up in front, standing out stiffly at the side and dipping at the back.

This, we are told, disguises figure faults of the "slightly more than average" just as successfully as it accentuates slimness. The comments of those who understand fashions, more or less, have been that there is a good deal to be said for any line which leaves actual hip measurement as a matter for conjecture.

Then there is the sauceboat neckline, mounted high at each side and tapering away almost to nothing at the centre and back. It is particularly effective when done in two bright colours, such as scarlet and white.

The more temperamental designers have obviously been much affected by the Royal wedding; for the romantic influence is marked in many new collections—romance with a period-accent in some instances—in others just a feeling for simply moulded gowns, with wraps and trimming details. Several designers are reviving feathers strongly for evening.

EVENING FROCKS

Sophisticated simplicity, as worldly as that of her mother's gowns, distinguishes the party-frocks which are being made up for *la jeune fille* this season in Paris.

Gone are the ruffles, frills, and *jeune fille* designs which marked last season's dance dress. This year's model is plain, a bit daring, and designed with distinction.

Although stylists are more or less unanimous in the opinion that dresses for daytime should have supple bodices softened by shirrings and fabrics-loops, there are several schools of thought concerning skirts. There are skilled designers who are enthusiastic over slits, and who introduce them in cunning ways. Generally speaking, slits concealed by tiny wraps are most in evidence.

But many sports-wear specialists say that slits will give place to flat pleats. And some dress designers are reverting to discreetly flared skirts, or straight styles with miniature "fins" set low at the back to give a mermaid suggestion. So, for early 1936 at least, there will be no lack of variety.

It is significant that one point is stressed in virtually every collection—the importance of pastel tones, particularly yellows, which are mentioned in connection with sports clothes. Some authorities stress rather deeper, vivacious hues inspired by racing colours.

GREENS AND BROWNS

Apart from the yellows, the fashion world of Paris is talking of greens and browns for winter. The greens are dark, unless they are intended for evening—bottle-greens, myrtle-greens, and deep blackish greens being most frequently mentioned.

The browns which are being discussed are seal, a deep taupe and a very dark brown. There are many votes for chestnut, and even for the rust tones; but the latter, I believe, will not be a generally smart fashion, for the simple reason that rust is not a usually becoming colour.

For evening there is still a great demand for white, and I must call your attention to the prune colours, particularly in a very deep tone that has been called "Encre."

FROST-PROOF GARDENS

FLOWERS AND FRUIT IN WINTER

A garden where all the flowers are "frost-proof" is now in full bloom at Mouy, just outside Paris. Summer flowers, ripe red tomatoes, blackberries, strawberries, lily of the valley, and mimosa flourish there in the open all through the winter—unaffected by snow or frost. Whereas everything in surrounding gardens is already withered by the frost and only weakly, insipid products come out of the greenhouses, M. Bigeault, the engineer who owns this remarkable garden, will offer you a ripe orange of his own growing.

The secret lies in little low walls built round the flower beds. These walls conceal hot-water pipes, which radiate warmth throughout the winter.

"The idea came to me," M. Bigeault told Reuter, "when my wife was lamenting the fact that her dahlias had all been ruined by the frost. Now she has all the flowers she wants.

"The action of the hot-water pipes is similar to that of the sun in the mountains, where, in spite of the cold air, those who practise winter sports feel warm. My plants thrive in their artificial heat, but they are kept strong by the clean open air.

"When it is snowing the flakes fall to within a foot or two from the ground, and then dissolve into a warm, gentle dew, which does good to both flowers and fruits."

M. Bigeault is also experimenting with "hot-houses," but they, too, are open to the frost. Besides central-heated walls, they have "sunlight lamps," which will be used to bathe the flowers in artificial rays.

ITALY'S BIG PROBLEM

CABINET TO CONSIDER BUDGET

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Sunday.

A Cabinet meeting presided over by the Duce is to take place to-morrow at the Palazzo Viminale to discuss the 1936-37 Budget. A *communiqué* will probably be issued at the conclusion of the meeting, but it is not expected to reveal anything of note, in view of the recent decree forbidding the publication of news of the financial position of Italy.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

SINGAPORE, Sunday.

An earthquake shock was experienced here yesterday. The tremor was so slight that it was only felt in one sector of the town. No damage is reported.

Two severe earthquake shocks were registered at the observatories of Wurttemberg on Saturday morning, according to a Reuter telegram. The epicentre was registered 5,903 miles away, approximately in Western Sumatra.

Reuter's Correspondent in Calcutta also telegraphed yesterday that an earthquake shock of great intensity had been recorded by the seismographs at Alipore Observatory. The epicentre was calculated to be about 1,190 miles from Calcutta.

A POST OFFICE RECORD

GREAT CHRISTMAS MAIL

286,000,000 LETTERS AND 10,000,000 PARCELS

THE British Post Office beat all records in every department this Christmas, and gave an indication of the growing prosperity of the country.

In the mail section 286,000,000 letters and 10,000,000 parcels were handled, while telegrams and telephones all showed a tremendous increase over previous years. Mail increased by 9.5 per cent. on last year, parcels by 12.7 per cent.

In spite of the competition of the telephones, the number of telegrams deal with was the greatest since the Central Telegraph Office was opened in 1870.

On Christmas Eve the Office received 325,000 telegrams, compared with 194,000 in 1934—an increase of 66.3 per cent. Telephoned telegrams showed the extraordinary increase of 103 per cent.

THE PREVIOUS RECORD

The previous record for telegrams was in 1902 when King Edward's Coronation was postponed. Then 314,000 telegrams were handled. It has to be remembered, however, that in those days there were no cheap telephone calls as there are to-day.

Christmas Day and Boxing Day showed the same big increases compared with previous years. On Christmas Day 89,000 telegrams were dealt with, compared with 41,500 last year, an increase of 114 per cent. On Boxing Day the number was 76,000, against 48,600 last year, an increase of 56 per cent.

The season was notable for the remarkable number of ninepenny greeting telegrams sent out. In many offices supplies of the special form and golden envelope ran out.

TELEPHONE CALLS

On Christmas Eve the London Trunk Exchange, between 5 p.m. and midnight, received 10,000 telephone calls at 1s., compared with 7,500 a year ago, and 1,500 on a normal night before the introduction of the shilling call.

London's experience was repeated throughout the country, calls going up by 300 and 400 per cent. for the Christmas period.

It is claimed that all the mail handed in to the Post Office by the latest advertised times was delivered on Christmas Day. The number of postmen was doubled, and 450 halls were taken to deal with mails.

Withdrawals from the Post Office Savings Bank during December to meet the extra spending amounted to £10,000,000, £1,000,000 more than last year.

SUSPICIONS AGAINST BRITISH

YACHT SEARCHED AT BARCELONA

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.

BARCELONA, Sunday.

The question whether a British aircraft flying the British white or blue ensign can be boarded and searched in a foreign port has been raised by Major M. G. Lee, whose yacht, the Foam, was visited here a few days ago by carabineros on orders from the Customs authorities.

The Customs authorities claimed to have information that The Foam carried maps suitable for the purpose of international *espionage* and that she also carried contraband. Although the craft was thoroughly ransacked the suspicion was seen to be unjustified.

Major Lee arrived here from Palma on a pleasure cruise, and the search of The Foam seems to be the consequence of mysterious and systematic activities of unnamed persons who appear interested in arousing suspicions against the activities of British subjects in Spain.

RECENT CAIRO RIOTING

BRITISH TROOPS NOT CALLED OUT

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

CAIRO, Sunday.

The authorities wish it to be as widely known as possible that there is no truth in reports that British troops were called out to deal with the recent rioting here, nor was there ever any question of calling them out. The denial is prompted by reports in London newspapers which arrived here a few days ago.

Financial News & Notes

LONDON STOCK MARKET FEATURES

NEW YEAR PROSPECTS

SOME INSURANCE SHARES

FROM OUR FINANCIAL CORRESPONDENT.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON, Sunday.

With 1935 practically over, there is a natural inclination to consider the prospects of the coming year from the standpoint of those interested in stocks and shares. The two principal determining factors are the value of money and the question of peace, and, in the latter respect, it is not merely a matter of the probable duration of the Italo-Abyssinian conflict. Unfortunately, there is no absolute assurance that the continuance of hostilities between two members of the League of Nations may not ultimately produce serious repercussions upon the European political situation in which Great Britain would be involved. It is greatly to be hoped that this will be avoided, but until the position is clearer than it is now it must continue to be a potential factor in respect of security values.

MONETARY CONDITIONS

It is possible to speak with more assurance upon the question of money, the cheapness of which has been a very important influence for a considerable time past. As yet, there is no indication that we are nearing the end of the era of cheap and plentiful credit. Peace between Italy and Abyssinia, with the consequent greater assurance of quieter conditions in Europe, would probably bring the recovery in international trade a step nearer. Then it would be possible to anticipate a removal or modification of the present obstacles to the freedom of world commerce, to be followed probably by an agreement for the stabilisation of the principal currencies—sterling, American dollars and French francs. That stage, however, is still a long way off, and, as Governments have found that exceptionally easy monetary conditions are distinctly helpful in reducing debt charges and in encouraging internal trade, there is a strong reason to believe that they will be encouraged. For example, our own Government does not wish to see the cost of selling three months Treasury bills rise to much above the present figure.

ATTITUDE OF SECURITY HOLDERS

These considerations lead to the conclusion that first-class investment securities will continue to be quoted at a high level, and that the return upon new capital will be moderate. Consequently, it is to be expected that investors will be content to buy the Preference and Ordinary shares of sound Industrial companies on a low yield basis, partly in the hope that in the latter case current prices will be justified in the future by increased dividends or new issues of shares on bonus terms. An important influence is that, broadly speaking, holders of good securities see little or no inducement to sell them, even though such an operation might realise a substantial profit. In part, this is due to the possibility of further capital appreciation, but a much more important consideration is the difficulty in finding suitable alternative investments.

AN EXAMPLE

If an individual bought 3½ per cent. Conversion Loan at last year's lowest price of 101⅛ and sold it now he would realise a profit of nearly £6 per £100 of stock, or considerably more than the yield at the purchase price—3⅞ per cent. The question of reinvesting the proceeds of the sale would then arise. If the money were placed in an equally safe security, the profit would disappear because of the price at which the new stock would have to be bought, and actually any profit from capital appreciation could only be secured if the proceeds of a sale were reinvested outside the trustee group—in other words, if the investor took a bigger risk. In effect, therefore, there is little inducement to sell securities bought at a much lower level than now obtains, and this applies in the case of many Ordinary shares, as well as gilt-edged securities. It is thus natural that people who have acquired good investments at a price giving a satisfactory yield, especially in comparison with the figure now obtainable from new purchases, should be content to retain their holding, and adopt the excellent motto of "Safety First."

PROFITS FROM CAPITAL APPRECIATION

A consideration of the financial prospects for 1936 that dealt only with the position of those interested in "Safety First" stocks, however, would be an incomplete and unsatisfactory operation. Probably the majority of those who buy Stock Exchange securities do so in the hope that a reasonably good return on the money spent will be accompanied by a reasonable prospect of capital appreciation. There are some, indeed, who buy mainly with a view to securing such a profit, and this attitude is encouraged by the very moderate yields afforded even by the best industrial ordinary and preference shares. Such people, consequently, would very much like to know what stocks or shares are likely to rise during the coming year. In any endeavour to answer that question the important factor cannot be ignored that a very great appreciation has taken place in most departments of the Stock Exchange during the last four years—ever since, indeed, the country adopted the necessary measures for dealing with the economic crisis of 1931. Therefore, the difficulty of suggesting securities that are likely to appreciate during the coming 12 months has been greatly increased. The scope is, indeed, extremely limited.

OUTLOOK FOR HOME RAILS

The future may see a better market for home railway ordinary stocks, but this must assume a settlement of the coal dispute, which does not involve a substantial increase in the running charges of the railways, a favourable result of the Southern rating appeal, a further improvement in trade which will restore traffic receipts to something like the pre-depression level, and a satisfactory settlement of the men's demand for a full restoration of the wage cuts. Only the greatest optimist would expect all these things to come about during the next few months, and because of this a purchase of the ordinary stocks, and even of some of the junior prior charges, such as London Midland and Scottish 4 per cent. 1923 and L.N.E.R. 4 per cent Second Preference, could only be regarded as a speculative operation. Those with faith in the future of home rails will probably be content to restrict purchases to such stocks as L.M.S. 4 per cent. (First) Preference, the two L.N.E.R. 4 per cent. Guaranteed issues, as well as that company's 4 per cent. First Preference, and Southern Preferred Ord.—the last-named on the chance of an increase in the dividend from 4 to 5 per cent.

INSURANCE SHARES

Few groups of Stock Exchange securities reflect more the influence of cheap money and the moderate returns with which investors are now content than that for Insurance shares. At the prices current when the Stock Exchange closed last week the leading shares afforded very small returns on the basis of the last annual dividends. Indeed, in one or two instances, the figures might be regarded as ridiculously small. The extreme case is provided by Prudential B (£1, 4s. paid) shares, which for last year received 1s. 6d. per share, or 37½ per cent., tax free. The shares are quoted at 116s., so that the indicated net yield is less than 1⅓ per cent., equal to barely 1½ per cent. gross. Nobody, however, buys Prudential B in the belief that the dividend will remain at 37½ per cent., and a similar consideration accounts for the level of Insurance shares as a whole. It is believed that as time goes on distributions generally will be increased, thus providing at least some justification for the present high share prices, while of considerable importance is the great financial strength of the leading institutions, several of which pay shareholders' dividends out of the income derived from their investment holdings, irrespective of the profits from the business proper.

A SUGGESTION

While the case of Prudential B dealt with above is an extreme one, there are numerous other instances of almost ridiculously small immediate yields on Insurance shares. For example, less than 2⅓ per cent. can be expected from the partly-paid shares of the Britannic, Legal and General and North British Companies; the return on Gresham Fire similar shares is not much more than 2⅓ per cent., and on General Accident, London and Lancashire, World Auxiliary and Sun Fire it ranges from a little less than 3 per cent. down to 2¾ per cent., and these are all partly-paid shares.

An issue which does not appear to have fully participated in the great appreciation in this group is Commercial Union £2 fully-paid stock. Some years ago the quotation stood at a much higher level than the present one of 10½, but afterwards fell considerably because of an unfavourable experience in regard to the American part of the business. There has since been an improvement in that direction, and, with the virtual certainty that the dividend for the current year will again be 40 per cent., the current yield on the stock is practically 3¼ per cent. On the surface, therefore, the security looks cheap to compare with the partly-paid shares referred to above.

FINANCIAL PARAGRAPHS

Kaffir Finance Shares

The Kaffir dividends have come and gone. Hopes for the future rest largely upon modification of the existing basis of taxation. Of course, individual shares, such as East Rand and New Kleinfontein, respond to development news. Several good features have emerged among finance issues (says *The Sunday Times*). Prominent among these are General Minings, originally recommended here at fully £2 below the present price of £4 15s. The buying is based largely on the benefits which are expected to accrue this year from the company's holding of Deferred shares in the West Rand Consolidated, which will rank for dividend in June. The good results shown by Rand Selection inspired a demand for its shares and those of Consolidated Mines Selection, which is expected to improve on last year's dividend of 2s. 9d. per share. Further appreciation in South-West Africas is attributable to a belief that disposal of certain assets in Germany will permit a distribution of 10 per cent., as against 7½ per cent. for each of the past seven years.

Bright Outlook

What of 1936! For the investor, three fundamental points stand out clearly. The first is the value of the legacy left by 1935, the second is the absence of any top-heavy speculation, and the third is the maintenance of the cheap money era (writes *The Observer*). January, 1936, should be able to start off in top gear, owing to the impetus delivered by its predecessor, 1935. That should be worth a lot. At the same time the recovery in markets seen in recent months has been no passing phase. It has followed the solid lines of recovery pursued by the nation itself. Board of Trade returns, published month by month, prove conclusively that more business is being conducted and that prices received

VALUE OF THE £

	Saturday.	Friday.	Per Cent. of Parity.
NEW YORK	4.93⅞*	4.93	101.4
MONTREAL	4.97½	4.97½	102.2
AMSTERDAM	7.27¼	7.26½	60.1
BERLIN	12.27	12.27	60.1
BRUSSELS	29.30½	29.28½	83.7
COPENHAGEN	22.40	22.40	123.4
GENEVA	15.16½	15.18	60.1
MILAN	61¾	61¾	66.4
OSLO	19.90½	19.90½	109.6
PARIS	74¼	74¼	60.4
STOCKHOLM	19.39½	19.39½	106.8
KOBE	14/12	14/12	175.3

*Close in New York, 4.93½.

are more profitable from a manufacturer's point of view. Large schemes of public works are well under way. Many will take five years to complete. Contracts for material and work have still to be fulfilled. More money will be required. It will be obtainable at cheap rates. Another factor is the possibility that in some instances the finance may be raised on bonus terms to shareholders in the companies concerned. In others it will form attractive offers in the new issue market. British trade is finished with mere recovery; it is well onward in an upward trade cycle.

Workpeople's Share

A general review of the employés' benefit schemes associated with Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Company, Ltd., has disclosed the striking fact that the present accumulated funds thereof total over half a million pounds. This great total has been accumulated during the last fourteen years by approximately 13,000 employés, and is made up by works and staff benevolent funds, a male staff pension and life assurance scheme, a female staff benefit scheme, and a thrift scheme which in effect is a savings bank open to all employes domiciled in the British Isles. The various schemes are administered by trustees and committees, whose accounts are subject to general to outside audit, and all the funds are securely invested under carefully framed rules either in insurance policies or in trustees securities or their equivalent. Practically all the schemes are supplemented by generous contributions made by the company.

Richmond Electric Bonus Issue

The directors of the Richmond (Surrey) Electric Light and Power Company are issuing free to shareholders 110,000 Ordinary shares of £1 in the proportion of 11 for every 20 now held. For the past seven years the dividend on these shares has been 11 per cent., but with the new issue the rate of dividend in future will be adjusted. It is anticipated that this adjustment will assure to shareholders approximately the same income as they are obtaining under their existing investment. The existing shares, of which there are 200,000, are quoted at 2⅓-3, ex bonus. Permission to deal has been granted in connection with the new 110,000 shares.

Egyptian Lands to Cut Capital

The directors of Egyptian Consolidated Lands propose to reduce the capital from £350,000 to £245,000. The 1,400,000 shares issued of 2s. 6d. each are to be reduced to 1s., and holders are to receive for each 1s. 6d. per share non-interest bearing redeemable debenture stock. The 1,400,000 unissued 2s. 6d. shares will be sub-divided into five shares of 6d. each, every two consolidated into one share of 1s. An extraordinary meeting to consider the proposals will be held at 1 Broad street place, London, E.C., on January 23, at 3 p.m.

Australian Agricultural Proposal

The directors of the Australian Agricultural Company propose that the capital be reduced from £800,000 to £480,000 by the return to shareholders of £2 for each £5 share. A special general meeting to consider the scheme will be held at Winchester House, London, E.C., on January 14, at 12.30 p.m.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS

Colombo Commercial Company.—The Colombo Commercial Company, which acts as managers and agents of produce estates in Ceylon, and also trades as merchants and engineers, reports a net profit of £72,892 for the year to September last. This is an increase of £4,013 over the previous year's balance. Dividend on the £500,000 of Ordinary share capital is to be maintained at 10 per cent., free of tax, for the fourth successive year, a final of 6 per cent. net for 1935 being proposed. A transfer of £10,000 is again made to reserve, and the carry-forward, after £4,200 to Preference dividend, is increased by £8,692 to £65,391. Total reserves stand in the balance-sheet at £440,202. Investments amount to £601,230, and cash figures at £132,345.

Fred. W. Millington (1920) (merchants and agents).—Dividend on 6 p.c. Cumulative Preference for six months to December 31 will be paid on that date.

Goodwin, Foster, Brown.—Payment of 2¾ per cent. actual on the Preference for the half year.

Malayan and General Trust, 1933.—Dividends received, less tax, were £3,793, add transfer fees £36, making £3,829. After providing for administration expenses £1,334 and interest £410, the surplus balance was £2,085, add balance brought forward £2,904, making £4,989. The directors propose to write off preliminary expenses, absorbing £4,954, leaving £35 to be carried forward. During the year £4,615 was spent on Mergui property, bringing the total expenditure on this property at date of accounts to £46,317.

New Merton Board Mills (paper box board manufacturers).—Profit to October 31 was £52,073 (against £51,389); staff bonuses and income tax require £6,866 (£5,373), and, after charging in £14,119 and paying directors' fees and Preference dividend there is £53,327; to property reserve £2,700 (same); dividend on Ordinary, 28 per cent. (32 per cent.); £14,227 forward.

Royal Bank of Canada.—The appointment is announced as assistant general manager of the Bank in Montreal of Mr. James Muir, formerly of the Commercial Bank of Scotland and the Chartered Bank of India in London. Appointment of two other assistant general managers in Montreal is simultaneously announced. One is Mr. Burnham L. Mitchell, who has previously held managerial posts at St. John's (Newfoundland), Halifax, Vancouver and Toronto. The other is Mr. Harold G. Hesler, secretary of the bank.

Sungei Engun Rubber Estate.— The directors have decided to postpone payment of dividend due on December 31 on the 6 per cent. Cumulative Part. Preference Shares until the final accounts for the year ending December 31, 1935 are available.

United Service Transport.—Profit was £24,968 (against £26,899); after depreciation and 8 per cent. dividend on Preference, there remains £2,431; add £140 brought in, making £2,571. Dividend of 8 per cent. on Ordinary and division of further £2,101 between Preference and Ordinary (nine-tenths to Preference and one-tenth to Ordinary, being equivalent to 2 per cent. and 5,614 per cent., respectively), making total distribution of 10 per cent. to Preference (same) and 13.614 per cent. (same) to Ordinary; £171 forward.

Fatal Fall.—A verdict of "death as a result of a fractured skull caused by an accidental fall" was returned at the inquest which was held in Cork on Saturday on Richard Williams (60), retired seaman, of Boreenmana road, Ballintemple, Cork.

MARKETS AT A GLANCE

Saturday.

STOCKS AND SHARES:

London closed.

Dublin closed.

Manchester Textiles closed.

Birmingham Motors closed.

New York irregular.

MONEY:

Bank of England Rate	2	p.c.
Last Year	2	p.c.
Irish Bank Rate	3	p.c.
London Day-to-Day Loans	½	p.c.
London Three Months' Bills	½	p.c.
Price of Gold	140/11	
Silver (spot)	—	

LONDON MONEY MARKET

PREPARING FOR YEAR-END

Preparation for the year-end remained the chief concern of the London Money market on Saturday morning. Recourse was again made to the Bank of England, where a moderate amount was taken for a week at the customary minimum rate of 2½ per cent. There was naturally a keen demand for accommodation into January, but lenders in the market were scarce. A few loans were, however, reported at rates ranging from 2 to 2½ per cent. The amounts of money borrowed at the Bank of England for the year-end naturally increased the funds available for day-to-day purposes, and loans until to-day were easily arranged at ½ per cent. with "outside" lenders.

Bank Rate Discount (changed June 30, 1932), 2%

60 days (fine)	⅜	13/16 %	
3 months	⅜	13/16 %	Trade 2 — 2½ %
4 "	⅜		" 2½ — 2½ %
6 "	⅜		" 2½ — 3 %

Loans to Brokers Day-to-day ½ %

" for a week ½ %

Deposit Allowances: Banks at Call ½ %

" Discount Houses at Call ½ %

" " at Notice ¾ %

Discount rates, however, remained firm under the influence of year-end conditions.

Fine gold lost 1d. at 140s. 11d. per oz. In keeping with the bullion market's new policy, there were no dealings in silver on Saturday morning. Friday's price, however, had shown an improvement of ⅛d. at 21d. per oz. Some little support had been seen from Indian quarters.

Fears regarding the outcome of the debate in the French Chamber resulted in a weaker trend for French francs in the exchange market. The spot rate closed a shade under 74½ to the pound, with the three months' position weak at 2½ discount. A similar reflection was to be seen in other Continental currencies, with Belgian belgas at 29.30⅛, German reichsmarks 12.27, and Dutch guilders 7.27¼. Swiss francs were as easier at 15.17½.

Centre	Dec. 28 Closing Rates	Dec. 27 Closing Rates	Parity before 29/9/'31
New York	4.93⅛	4.93⅛ / 4.93¼	4.86⅝
Montreal	4.97	4.97½ / 4.97⅝	4.86⅝
Amsterdam	7.27	7.27½ / 7.28	12.10
Berlin	12.26	12.26 / 12.28	20.43
Brussels	29.30	29.21 / 29.29½	35.00
Copenhagen	22.38	22.38 / 22.40	26.82
Geneva	15.19	15.17 / 15.19	25.22
Madrid	36½	36½ / 36½	25.22
Milan	61⅝	61⅝ / 61¾	92.46
Oslo	19.88	19.88 / 19.93	26.82
Paris	74⅛	74⅛ / 74¼	124.21
Stockholm	19.37	19.42 / 19.47	18.16
Switzerland	15.16	15.16 / 15.18	25.22
Athens	520 sellers	520 sellers	375.00
Belgrade	226⅝	227½ / 228	168.2
Lisbon	110⅛	109⅝ / 110⅝	110
Prague	119¼	119 / 119¼	184.25
Vienna	25⅛	27⅝ / 27⅞	34.93
Warsaw	26⅝	26⅝ / 26⅝	49.56
Buenos Aires	19.20	19.30 / 19.40	47.97
Rio de Janeiro	5.95 nom	5.95 nom	17.38
Mexico	18.25	18.25 / 18.25	19.85
Montevideo	32	22½ / 22⅝	51/16
Rio de Janeiro	2⅜	2⅜ / 2 11/16	5.89
Valparaiso	126 nom	126 nom	408
Calcutta	16 3/32	16 3/32 / 16 5/32	18
Hongkong	15½	15⅝ / 15⅝	
Kobe (yen)	14¼	14⅛ / 14⅛	24
Shanghai*	14½	14⅞ / 14 15/16	
Singapore*	28	28 5/16 / 28	24

*Rate quoted in London.

AMERICAN FINANCIAL NOTES

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

BOND ISSUE BY SUBSIDIARY POWER COMPANY

The West Penn Power Company—a subsidiary of the American Waterworks and Electric Company—has filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission an application for the issue of $27,000,000 of 3¼ per Cent. Refunding Bonds. As the American Waterworks and Electric Company is not registered under the Holding Company Act, observers are keenly interested in the Commission's attitude towards the application.

RADIO CORPORATION

Mr. Kennedy, ex-Chairman of the National Securities and Exchange Commission, has been retained by the Radio Corporation of America for the purpose of studying the problems relating to the capital structure of the Radio Corporation. It is understood that some five or six different re-capitalisation plans, which have been prepared in recent years by a committee of directors, were submitted to Mr. Kennedy for study.

WHEELING STEELS ISSUE FOR LOAN RETIREMENT

The Wheeling Steel Corporation is planning the issuance of $35,000,000 of 4½ per Cent. Bonds due in 1966. The proceeds are for the retirement of bank loans aggregating $30,000,000, while the balance is to be used for working capital.

GOLD MOVEMENT TO UNITED STATES

The value of gold engaged on Friday last for shipment to New York included $555,000 from France, and $282,000 from England.

DECEMBER DOMESTIC COPPER SALES

Domestic copper sales in December are estimated to aggregate 40,000 tons, compared with 31,914 tons in November. There is a revival of rumours of an early price increase, which earlier this month was abandoned owing to uncertainty caused by the silver crisis. There is, however, a considerable difference of opinion in producers' circles over the expediency of an increase at present, in view of the higher rate of production, as well as the fact that specifications lately have been coming in slowly, with a possible result of an increase in stocks during December.

DIVIDEND INDICES

The Standard Statistics Company states that favourable dividend changes during the past week numbered 61, compared with 101 in the previous week, and 90 the week before. The unfavourable actions were 5, 4 and 4 respectively.

RAILWAY EARNINGS FOR NOVEMBER

New York Central gross $27,085,000, increase $4,435,000; net $4,423,000, increase $2,717,000.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORTS

SATURDAY.

Barometer at 1 p.m.—29.30. Wind and Weather at 1 p.m.—Westerly winds; overcast.

Foreign Arrival:—Roslea from Dieppe, with a cargo of wheat.

Coastwise Arrivals:—Lady Leinster from Liverpool, Lairdaglen from Glasgow—with passengers and goods; Slieve More from Holyhead, with goods; Annaghmore from Preston, E. Hayward from Garston, Glencree from Ardrossan—with coal.

SUNDAY.

Barometer at 1 p.m.—29.40. Wind and Weather—E.S.E. wind, fresh breeze; fine.

Foreign Arrivals:—Colwith Force from Antwerp, with general cargo; Elba from Aalborg, with a cargo of cement; Lissa from Sundsvall, via Belfast, with a cargo of timber.

Coastwise Arrivals—Lady Munster from Liverpool, Lairdsmoor from Glasgow—with passengers and goods; Finola from Cardiff, with goods; Girasol from Newport, Axinite from Blyth, Tanlan from Point of Aire, Asteria and Kerrymore from Ayr, Glenageary from Ardrossan, Elsie Annie from Workington, Moygannon from Swansea, Mayflower and Sard from Garston—with coal; Lady Galway from Liverpool, light.

THE AMERICAN MARKETS

LEADING ISSUES UNDER PRESSURE

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

NEW YORK, Saturday.

The leading commodity markets provided no incentive to-day, and with traders disposed to await more definite indications of the trend of trade and industry in the new year the Stock Exchange declined under profit-taking. Sales totalled 1,140,000 shares.

The market closed easy with losses ranging from fractions to a point recorded by Chemicals, Farm Implements, Merchandisings, Foods, Minings, "Wet" Stocks and Motors, while Industrials declined anything to 2 points. Moving against the general trend Auburn Automobile, Ingersoll-Rand, Youngstown Sheet and Tube, American Sugar Refining and United Fruit gained 1 to 3 points.

In view of the tense European situation, coming Supreme Court decisions and the early re-assembly of Congress, the immediate outlook is somewhat uncertain.

Call money was nominal. Prime paper was quoted at ½ to 1 per cent. Open market discount rates were unaltered at ½ per cent. bid and ¼ per cent. asked for ninety day Bank bills, and ½ per cent. bid and ¼ per cent. asked for six months' bills.

Sterling exchange opened ¼ up at 4.93⅜ and closed ⅛ higher compared with the previous close at 4.93⅛.

No official silver price was fixed in New York to-day.

	Sat	Fri
Call Money	Steady	Steady
London Cables	4.97¼	4.97⅜
London 60 days' sight	4.92⅞	4.93
London Bankers' do.	4.92⅞	4.92¼
London Cheques	4.91⅞	4.91⅞
Montreal Cables	4.97¼	4.97⅜
Paris Cables	3.96⅜	6.58⅜

Eng. Parity	Stocks	Closing Bid 1 Sat	Fid. Fri
87⅜	Atchison Topeka, Santa Fe	57	56⅞
92 11/16	Do. Preferred	91½	91½
15 15/16	Baltimore and Ohio	15⅝	15⅞
10¼	Canadian Pacific (New Stock)	10⅝	10⅝
1⅜	Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	1⅛	1⅛
1⅜	Chicago and Rock Island	1⅛	1⅛
11⅛	Erie Shares	11	11⅜
17 15/16	Erie 1st Preferred	16⅞	17
19⅛	Illinois Central	19⅝	19¼
8¼	Lehigh Valley	8⅛	8
37⅜	Louisville and Nashville	37	35½
17⅛	Missouri Pacific	17⅜	17⅜
26 15/16	New York Central & Hudson R.	26½	26¼
208 5/16	Norfolk and West Com.	206	209
24 3/16	Northern Pacific Com.	23⅞	24⅛
30⅜	Pennsylvania Shares	30	29⅞
3 7/16	Reading Shares	3¼	3⅜
23 1/16	Southern Pacific	22⅜	23
13⅛	Southern Railway	13	13¼
108 3/16	Union Pacific	107	106
2	Wabash	2	2
134½	American Can (New Stock)	132⅝	134½
59 7/16	American Smelting (New Stock)	58½	59
29⅞	Anaconda Copper	28⅜	29¼
23 5/16	American Radiator	23	23¼
153 1/16	American Tel. and Tel.	153⅜	151½
50⅜	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	49⅜	49½
22 5/16	Brazil Stab. 6½%, 1957	22⅛	22
30½	Consolidated Gas (New York)	30¼	30¼
37⅜	General Electric (New Stock)	37⅛	37⅝
56 1/16	General Motors (New)	55⅝	56⅛
4 5/16	Inter. Mer. Marine Com. Certs.	4⅛	4½
45 5/16	International Nickel	44¾	44⅞
38⅛	Montgomery Ward	38	38½
206 1/16	National Lead	203½	202
10	North America Company	9⅞	10⅛
12 1/16	Radio Corporation	12	12⅛
47⅜	Standard Oil of New Jersey	47⅛	47⅛
38	Shell Transport and Trading	37⅞	37⅝
13 9/16	Shell Union Oil	13⅝	13½
13 9/16	U.S. Rubber	13⅜	13⅜
45 5/16	United States Steel Common	44⅞	45⅜
112	Do. Preferred	112	112
9⅜	Brazilian Traction	9½	9⅝
28⅜	Brit. American Tobacco Coupon	28⅛	28¼
3 1/16	Hydro. Electric	3⅛	3⅛
33 1/16	International Nickel Canada (New)	33¾	33½
—	Silver Commercial Bars	49¾	49¾

BONDS.

107 5/16	U.K. 5½% Bonds, 1937	106½	106⅝
115⅝	Do. Funding Loan 4%	114⅜	114
110 7/16	U.S. Treasury 3½% Bdts., '46-56	109⅞	—
39	7% German External Loan	38½	40
—	Amer. & Continental 6% '47	—	—
—	Bethlehem Steel 5% '42	—	—
101 3/16	Chile Copper 5% '47	100½	100¼

DOW JONES AVERAGES

	20 Rails.	30 Indus.	20 Util.
December 28	30.39	140.77	28.69
Last Year	36.35	103.15	17.00

MONTREAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Eng. Equiv.	Stocks	Closing Bid Sat	Fri
141⅛	Bell Telephone Co. of Canada	140½	140⅛
94⅜	Brazilian T.L. and P. Co., Ltd.	93⅝	93⅝
28⅛	British Colum bia Power "A"	28	28¼
—	Do. " B "	—	41⅜
6⅝	Can. Car and Foundry Co.	6⅝	6⅝
14 1/16	Do. Preferred	14	13⅞
26⅛	Canadian Celanese Com.	26¼	26
120	Do. do. Pref.	120	120
6	Canada Cement Co.	6	6⅛
59⅝	Do. Preferred	59	59
11 1/16	Can. Indus. Alcohol Com.	11	11
9 15/16	Do. " B "	9¾	9⅞
10 15/16	Canadian Pacific Railway	10⅞	10⅞
7⅛	Canada Steamship Preferred	7½	7½
7⅜	Cockshutt Plow Co.	7	7
205⅛	Con. Mining and Smelting	204	204
31 15/16	Dominion Bridge Co., Ltd.	31¾	31½
135⅜	Dominion Glass Co., Ltd.	135	135
72	Dominion Textile Co.	72	71
13 7/16	Hollinger Cons. Gold Mines	13⅜	13⅝
47⅜	Inter. Nickel of Canada	45½	45¼
5⅞	Massey Harris Co.	5¾	5½
31 15/16	Montreal Light, Heat	31¾	31½
50 11/16	Do. Debs.	50	50
39 5/16	National Brewers, Ltd.	39½	39
144⅝	National Steel Car Corp.	144	143⅛
191 5/16	Ogilvie Flour Mills Co., Ltd.	190	190
10 15/16	Power Corporation of Canada	10½	11
14 15/16	Quebec Power Corporation	14½	14⅞
19 15/16	Shawinigan Water	19½	19⅞
12 1/16	Southern Canada Power	12	12
56 5/16	Steel Co. of Canada	56½	56
199 5/16	Bank Montreal	198	196
271 15/16	Bank Nova Scotia	270	270
148⅞	Can. Bank Commerce	148	149
162	Royal Bank of Canada	161	161

OTHER PRICES.

34 7/16	Distillers Corp. Seagrams, Ltd	34½	34½
31 15/16	Hiram Walker Gooderham	31⅜	32¼
18 5/16	Imperial Oil, Ltd.	19¼	19⅛
13 15/16	Imperial Tobacco Co. of Canada	13⅞	13⅞
33 1/16	International Petroleum	33½	33¾
51 3/16	Lake Shore Mines, Ltd.	51	51
39 1/16	McIntyre Porcupine Mines	39½	40¼
44	Noranda Mines, Ltd.	43¾	44½

* Asked; † Ex div.; ‡ Ex interest; ‖ Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS

	To-day	Prev day
Wheat steady, ½c. up.		
No. 1 Northern Manitoba spot f.o.b. West St. John's	97⅛	97
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	128⅞	128⅝
No. 2 Red Winter spot	111⅛	111¼

Maize steady, ½c. higher. Western No. 2 mixed spot, 80½.

Oats nominal.

Rye steady, ½c. dearer. No. 1 spot f.o.b. New York, 65½.

Barley steady, ½c. lower. American malting c.i.f. New York, No. 2, 55½.

Flour steady, generally unchanged. Spring clears were quoted at 7.20 to 7.45, Kansas straights 7.45, Minneapolis patents 7.30, bakers' clears 7.50, while rye flour closed at 5.50 to 5.70—all per 196lb.

Lard steady at 10 points fall. Prime Western steam loose, 10.95; Middle West, 11.10 to 11.20.

Petroleum steady. Mid-Continent crude, 94 cents. Pennsylvania crude—Lower price, 182 cents; higher price, 202 cents.

Butter steady and unchanged. Grade 90 score, extra 35.

Tallow steady. Spot extra loose, 7; special extra, 6½; in tierces, 7¼.

Cotton Seed Oils—Futures closed barely steady, 6 to 8 points lower. Contract basis, bleachable prime summer yellow grade. Closing options—December, 10.48; January, 10.48; March, 10.50; May, 10.50.

Sheltac—T.N., 16.

Turpentine—Spot, 51½; Savannah spot, 46½.

Tin quiet and unchanged. Closing options—March, 46.75; May, 46.50; July, 46.50; September, 46.50.

American Standard Copper steady, 7 to 4 points higher. Closing options—January, 8.14; March, 8.25; May, 8.32 to 8.35; July, 8.41; September, 8.50 to 8.51.

Coffee on spot closed steady, with both Rio and Santos unchanged. Rio No. 7, 6½; Santos No. 4, 8½. Futures opened steady, with Rio 2 points down to unchanged, and Santos 1 point up to 1 point down. The close was barely steady, with Rio generally 4 points down and Santos 1 point to 3 points lower. Futures (basis Rio No. 7)—Closing options—March, 4.62; May, 4.75; July, 4.86; September, 4.96; December, 5.04.

Cocoa—Spot, 5½. Futures closed steady, 2 points up. Closing options—January, 4.81; March, 4.91; May, 4.99; July, 5.07; September, 5.16; October, 5.20; December, 5.28.

Sugar on spot closed steady and unchanged at 3.20. The close was barely steady at 2 points to 1 point down. Closing options—January, 2.16; March, 2.16; May, 2.19; July, 2.24; September, 2.28.

Cotton on spot closed quiet and unchanged at 11.90. Futures opened quiet at 2 to 6 points loss. Trading consisted chiefly of evening up and exchanging. The close was steady at 2 points lower to 4 higher. At New Orleans spot closed 1 point down at 11.72. Futures opened at 2 to 4 points down, and closed 2 points lower to 5 points higher.

Rubber Futures (No. 1 contract)—Tendency steady, 1 point down to 3 points up. Closing options—January 13.32, March 13.51, May 13.66, July 13.82, September 13.96, October 14.06. Outside prices—Tendency firm, but quiet. First latex thin crepe, spot, 13⅛ buyers; smoked ribbed sheets, spot, 13⅜ buyers, 13½ sellers; ditto, January-February-March, 13½ buyers; ditto, April-May-June, 13½ buyers, 13⅝ sellers.

OUTSIDE U.S. MARKETS

Kansas City—Wheat steady. Spot unchanged. May ½c. up. No. 2 hard winter, spot, 113⅜. Closing option—May 98½.

St. Louis—Wheat steady, with May ½c. dearer. No. 2 red winter, spot, unquoted. Closing option—May 103½.

Minneapolis—Wheat, spot, steady at ½c. gain.

FOOD AND PRODUCE MARKETS

Carlisle—Small show of Stores and prices nominal. Doncaster—No Stores on offer. Norwich—No quotations for Stores.

London—Rubber market closed, Wheat easier.

CATTLE

CARLISLE.—This being the off season in the Irish store cattle trade, there were fewer than 100 head forward. Business was almost at a standstill, and quotations were only nominal. Wintering heifers were offered at £10 to £11; wintering bullocks £10 to £12 and feeding heifers and bullocks £12 to £14.

NORWICH.—The holiday feeling was again in evidence on this market. A very small supply of beef ruled firmer, ranging from 7/- to 8/6 per stone. Store cattle were insufficient to quote. Offerings of sheep were inadequate to meet local requirements, and the prices realised ranged from 10½d. to 1/- per lb. The supply of pigs was too small to establish prices. Fat pork realised 10/6.

DONCASTER.—Best English dairy cows £26, aged cows £12 to £20; sucking pigs 10/- to 22/-, strong stores 40/- to 55/-. No store cattle and no sheep.

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Pigs under 6 stone	53/- per cwt., dead-weight.		
" " 7 "	49/-	"	"
" " 8 "	45/-	"	"
" " 9 "	43/-	"	"
Sows	35/-	"	"

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IRISHMAN'S DIARY

At Moore Abbey : The "Wran" Boys : Useful Sacks
The Falkland Islands

Moore Abbey

Count and Countess McCormack are spending a very pleasant festive holiday at Moore Abbey these days. Beside their daughter, Mrs. Pyke, her husband and baby, and their son, Mr. Cyril McCormack, they have as their guest Count Tarnowski. This young Polish nobleman is studying law in London. He is a friend of Mr. Cyril McCormack. Sir Hamilton Harty will arrive at Moore Abbey on Monday for a few days' stay with his old friends. The festive season was ushered in at the Abbey with the celebration of midnight Mass in the oratory on Christmas Eve. At this the Count sang the *Adeste Fideli*, while he played his own accompaniment on the harmonium. I hear, by the way, that Count Tarnowski had rather an unhappy experience when out with the Meaths on Friday. While the hunt was on the way to draw the second covert the Count had a nasty fall galloping up the hill. He was unable to continue, and was taken back to Moore Abbey, where he has been laid up since.

A Present from Palestine!

A wireless operator friend of mine who has travelled extensively was home on leave recently, and told me that he has a large collection of curios from foreign lands. Some time ago he visited Palestine, and was anxious to obtain a souvenir of the country. He eventually decided upon an earthen pitcher, similar to that used in ancient times by certain characters in the Old Testament Scriptures. Great care was taken in the packing of the pitcher, and its safety was a matter of some anxiety to my friend not only on the voyage home, but when he landed at Southampton. Eventually he brought his purchase safely to Dublin, intending to bestow it upon a relative, who, he felt sure, would appreciate a gift with hallowed associations. All went well until he reached the house where his relative lived, when, carrying the precious pitcher, he mounted the steps to the door, where upon he accidentally stumbled, and the pitcher fell from his arms, to be smashed in fragments on the doorstep!

The Irish Regiments

A correspondent writes:—One hears too little spoken of the grand old Irish regiments in Ireland now. Except on the occasion of an annual dinner or some other such event one seldom even reads anything about them. It may, therefore, be gratifying to some to know how well they are still remembered in other parts of the world. I was travelling in Africa recently, where, on an occasion when I happened to be wearing the colours of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, I chanced to meet an old gentleman who remembered the regiment well. We had a long talk of bygone days, recalling names, places and events, and he ended by extending to me a cordial invitation to go and stay at his house in Berea whenever I desired. His sincerity was unmistakable as it was pleasing. Though the hospitality of South Africa is justly renowned, I nevertheless experienced a feeling of pride at the thought that all this kindness was being shown to me simply because I was an old Dublin Fusilier. The great and favourable impression the old regiment had made on my friend can the better be understood when it is realised that his memories were not those of 1914-'18, but dated back to the South African War, when he met the Dublins in Africa, himself serving in a mounted infantry unit at the time.

The "Wran" Boys—Again

A correspondent writes:—Coming as I do from Southern Ireland, your paragraph about the "Wran" boys interested me, especially as the few lines you quoted appear to differ from the version used in West Cork, which run:

"The Wran, the Wran, the King of all birds.
On St. Stephen's Day was caught in the furze.
Although he is little, his family's great,
Rise up, Mr. ——, and give us a trate.
And if your trate be of the best
We hope in Heaven your soul will rest.
But if your trate be very small
It won't agree with the boys at all.
Sing holly, sing ivy, sing ivy, sing holly,
To keep a bad Christmas it is but a folly,
Christmas comes but once a year,
And when it does it brings good cheer.
Mr. —— is a worthy man,
And to his house I brought my wran.
I brought my wran to visit him there
To wish him luck and a grauvur new year.
On Christmas Day I turned the spit,
I burnt my finger, I feels it yet.
Between my finger and my "tum"
There lies a big blister, as big as a plum.
Shake, shake, shake of the box.
All silver and no brass.
Up with the kettle and down with the pot.
Give us our answer and let us be gone."

To get the full flavour of the lines they must be gabbled at a great rate.

You mention a dead mouse being used instead of a wren. This I have never seen, nor heard any musical instruments. The only music was the shaking of a metal box at the appropriate moment.

Request by the Way

A correspondent writes:—The recent "Diary" paragraph under this heading puts me in mind of a personal experience.

I was passing along the Baggot street pavement latish one evening and noticed a young lady, a total stranger to me, vainly trying to negotiate the lock of a hall door.

As I passed near her she turned to me and said, "Excuse me, sir, I can't open this door. Do you think you could manage it for me?"

Of course, I volunteered, only to find that the key was remarkably difficult to fit into its berth.

As I was thus somewhat awkwardly engaged an old flower-woman came up and remarked, "Won't you buy some of me flowers, kind lady and gentleman?" but, seeing that there was no business to be done in this quarter, passed on.

And then the young lady, who meanwhile had been trying to decipher the number on the door, exclaimed, "Now, amn't I foolish? I've came to the wrong door!"

Feeling that my assistance was no longer required, I handed back the key, raised my hat and passed on my way, reflecting:

"Yes, this is Dublin."

Useful Sacks

A countryman tells me that you cannot beat a sack for giving protection against the vagaries of the weather. "Figaries" was, however, his pronunciation of the word vagaries. With one sack wrapped around his shoulders and with another arranged so as to form a hood for his head, a farm labourer defies the elements. Some men also wrap pieces of sacking around their legs, and, if they are ploughing, this precaution also lengthens the life of their trousers. My informant assured me that many labouring men prefer these sacks to waterproof garments, which are likely to have a short life, particularly when worn by a man performing strenuous work on a farm.

Bones of Contention

I see that the Argentine is still agitating for the return of the Falkland Islands. In spite of their comparative barrenness and bleak climate, these islands are of such strategic importance that the wish of the Argentine Government is quite understandable. Junius's letter to the printer of the *Public Advertiser* of January 30th, 1771, makes reference to these islands, which were then the subject of a dispute with Spain. Besides their importance as a coaling station, the islands are able to produce good beeves and sheep. It will be remembered that during the War they provided Von Spee's squadron with the surprise of their lives. Curiously enough, the film of that battle, which was made later, used the Scilly Isles for some of the scenes, as the general appearance of much of the land was very similar.

QUIDNUNC.

STAGE AND SCREEN

THE WEEK IN DUBLIN

ABBEY THEATRE—"The Critic," a modernised version of Sheridan's play, is being retained during this week. It will be preceded by Irish songs.

GATE—"Romeo and Juliet," in which Micheal MacLiammoir and Meriel Moore have the principal parts, begins its second week to-morrow night.

GAIETY—Ivy Tresmand, Leslie Hatton and Phyllis Heryet have the principal parts in the pantomime, "Cinderella." There will be matinées this week on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

ROYAL—"Peter Pan" will be produced this week for the matinée performances. In the evenings Harry Welchman, Joe Jackson, Ju-Lio-San and Jack Lewis appear in variety, while on the screen "Friends of Mr. Sweeny" will be shown.

OLYMPIA—Jimmy O'Dea appears in the annual pantomime, "Jack and the Beanstalk."

QUEEN'S—"Aladdin," a pantomime, in which Max and Maxa Bernard's sporting dogs, and the Queen's Moonbeams appear, is being shown. On the screen Shirley Temple appears in "The Little Colonel."

TORCH—The Christmas pantomime, "Ireland's Own," begins its second week.

FATHER MATHEW HALL—The pantomime, "Dick Whittington," is retained.

SAVOY CINEMA—Laurel and Hardy appear in "Babes in Toyland," and there is also a Mickey Mouse cartoon, "Robber Kitten."

CAPITOL—"The Informer," with Victor McLaglen, J. M. Kerrigan and Una O'Connor, is being shown.

METROPOLE—"One More Spring," in which Janet Gaynor and Warner Baxter appear, is retained for a second week.

GRAFTON—Richard Tauber appears in a musical film, "Heart's Desire," which is retained for a second week.

CORINTHIAN—Boris Karloff, Colin Clive and Elsa Lanchester appear in "The Bride of Frankenstein."

GRAND CENTRAL—"Mills of the Gods," in which Fay Wray and Victor Jory appear, is retained for a second week.

THEATRE DE LUXE—Eddie Cantor appears in a musical film, "Kid Millions."

PAVILION, DUN LAOGHAIRE—Jimmy Durante and Charles Butterworth appear in "Student Tour," and there is also a Mickey Mouse cartoon, "The Steamroller." From Thursday "Naughty Marietta," with Jeannette Macdonald and Nelson Eddy, is being shown.

SACKVILLE—Matheson Lang appears in "The Great Defender," and a film about the war, "Forgotten Men," is also being shown.

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LEOPARDSTOWN RACES

A PLEASANT DAY

Delightful weather for the time of year favoured the concluding stage of the Leopardstown race meeting on Saturday. During most of the afternoon the sun shone invitingly, and made conditions very pleasant for visitors, not a few of whom found the atmosphere so warm that they enjoyed sitting on the seats in the members' enclosure between the intervals of racing.

Many of the younger set were wearing tweed suits in smart brown materials, flecked with orange or green, and one noticed that several people had allied scarlet with dark reseda green. One or two luxurious fur coats in mink and Persian lamb were much admired.

Among those in the members' enclosure were:—Lord Hemphill, the Dowager Lady Hemphill, Lord Glenavy, Sir James Nelson, the Duchess de Stacpoole, Captain and Mrs. G. F. Dunne, Mr. E. Bellaney, Major Gough, Captain and Mrs. G. L. Hastings, Miss Barbara Jameson, Mr. J. Roberts, Mr. Maxwell Arnott, Miss B. Hows-Crompton, Miss J. Hows-Crompton, Right Hon. T. K. Laidlaw, the Misses Laidlaw, Colonel S. S. Hill-Dillon, Mrs. G. Mitchell, Mrs. D. Daly, Captain and Mrs. M. King-French.

Captain I. Gore-Hickman, Mrs. F. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. Clarke, Miss Clarke, Mrs. Huet, Mr. and Mrs. R. de L. Stedman, Mr. H. J. Delmege, Miss L. Delmege, Mr. Sinclair, Miss Chance, Captain and Mrs. G. Martin, Mrs. Wilmer, Mr. H. Ussher, Mrs. F. Cannon, the Misses Lawlor, Mrs. E. Pike, Miss Atkinson, Mr. R. More O'Ferrall, Mr. F. More O'Ferrall, Mr. and Mrs. H. O'Reilly, Miss Brady-Brown, Mr. F. S. Myerscough, Mrs. Nesbitt, Mrs. Page Croft, the Misses Cairnes, Captain Eccles, Mrs. C. Martin.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Steen, Mrs. Semple, Miss M. O'Conor, Dr. L. Werner, Mrs. Paul, Mrs. Heath, Mr. and Mrs. J. McGrath, Mr. G. O'Connor, Miss Sweetman, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Irwin, Mr. and Mrs. B. O'Reilly, Miss Knox, Dr. P. J. Roddy, Mrs. W. Hennigan, Dr. G. R. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Murphy, Mr. Dennehy, Mr. McArdle, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Walker, Mr. de Vere White.

SUCCESSFUL CHILDREN'S PARTY

Under the personal supervision of Miss Ruth Harkness, a very happy company of children had a party in Mills's Hall, Dublin, last Saturday evening, when dances and a variety of entertainments, with a benevolent Father Christmas looking on, and the hope of a prize as encouragement enhanced the pleasure of the little ones.

The exhibition dances included skipping, by Kitty Tallon; Welsh dance, by Peggy Richards, and a butterfly dance by Honor Dillon, Geraldine Marié and Olive Leslie. Jill Johnston was a charming performer "On the Good Ship Lollypop," and Susan and Janifer Gatenby gave much pleasure in their Lucy Locket dance. Miss Harkness had a very capable and sympathetic pianist in the person of Miss Mynda Myres.

Mrs. Denis Barrett presented the prizes, which included gifts by Mr. J. F. McGuire, of Messrs. Brown, Thomas and Co., who also lent the costume for Santa Claus. The judges were Mrs. Blood, Mrs. Prescott and Mrs. O'Hara Meese.

Miss Harkness is to be congratulated on the success of her good work.

MOTOR NOTES

What the Old Year Might Tell the New

A LIGHTNING REVIEW OF 1935

BY HAROLD C. BROWN

TO-MORROW, as the hour of midnight approaches, the Old Year may talk for a spell with the New Year. There may be an exchange of memories and anticipations, of realisations and hopes. And if they turn to the subject of motoring one may expect a conversation like this:—

OLD YEAR: "I had a wonderful twelve months, my boy. Racing reached a degree of popularity never before approached. The land speed record was raised to over 300 miles per hour. In Ireland . . ."

NEW YEAR: "Why bring that up?"

"It's motoring we're discussing. In Ireland racing made tremendous progress. In Limerick we had the greatest Irish road race yet—probably the most exciting ever seen in the British Isles."

"But in my year there will be Cork."

"I'm a Cork man myself."

"Cork is going to beat them all for organisation and speed. And my Limerick race is to be an international priority event; yours wasn't even international. My Phœnix Park race also will be international. My County Down Trophy and Leinster Trophy are bound to be better than yours: in 1935 they were making their *début* on new courses."

"The handicapping was shaky, I'll admit."

"The Leinster 'Two Hundred' Motor Cycle Race will be back on the International Calendar!"

"Yes; but you won't have a Grand Prix de l'Europe. That, my fledgling was the greatest race ever held in Ireland."

"I thought you said that Limerick was?"

"I'm discussing motor cycling now. It probably will be eight years before another Grand Prix de l'Europe is held in Ireland."

"Still, the Ulster Grand Prix may be just as enjoyable."

"No doubt. But *tempus fugit*."

"What's that? A cocktail?"

"It's your own father. You are his 1,936th Christian son."

"And what a baby!"

"That remains to be seen. Before I go, here's a motoring flash of 1935. There may be information in it for you."

And this is the flash.

The Curtain Rises

THE Motor Cycle Union started badly, for it passed a rule restricting the use of competition tyres, and subsequently had to withdraw it when the clubs and riders protested against it.

Kitchen won the Leinster "Two Hundred," in which cross-Channel riders took all the honours. Guthrie, Norton, won the principal class in the North-West "Two Hundred."

Targa Primavera, substituted for the Targa Florio, was won by Brivio in an Alfa. McCracken, Frazer Nash, won the Bray street race. Caracciola won the Tripoli Grand Prix in a Mercedes at 123 m.p.h. Fagioli, in another Mercedes, won the Monaco Grand Prix.

On the Road!

IN a specially built Alfa with two engines Nuvolari touched 218 m.p.h. on the road "with other traffic around!" Mays, E.R.A., broke the Shelsley Walsh record.

We are now into the month of May, of course.

Hoey won the Cookstown "Hundred" by one second.

Fastest race of the year, the Avus Grand Prix, was won by Fagioli at 148 m.p.h. Von Stuck had a lap at 165 m.p.h. Maillard-Brune (M.G) won the Bol d'Or.

Austins scratched from the Mannin Beg. Sensation! They were the most eagerly anticipated small car of the year. Brian Lewis won the Mannin Moar in a Bugatti; Fairfield, E.R.A., won the Mannin Beg.

And now June.

Pope, Brough Superior, at 120.59 m.p.h. broke the motor cycle lap record at Brooklands. Nuvolari officially broke the mile and kilometre Class C records, his best speed, for the mile, being 201.953 m.p.h.

Caracciola won the French Grand Prix; Nuvolari the Circuit of Biella and the Bergamo Grand Prix; Fleming (M.G.) won the County Down Trophy; O'Neill won the Enniskillen "Hundred."

T.T.

IN a year singularly free from serious motor racing accidents the Motor Cycle Tourist Trophy Races were a black spot. J. A. MacDonald was killed in the Junior; D. J. Pirie in the Light-weight.

Woods won the Light-weight, and, thanks to the greatest lap in the history of the meeting, he won the Senior T.T., the latter being his eighth T.T. victory. Guthrie won the Junior. Ireland had two firsts, two seconds and a third.

Grass track racing was still going strongly at Rathfarnham.

Records were smashed in the Durban to Johannesburg motor cycle race, Harris (Triumph) being the fastest over the 403 miles course.

Hindmarsh and Fontes in a Lagonda won the Grand Prix of Endurance at Le Mans; Martin and Brackenbury (Aston Martin) were second, and won the Rudge Cup. In the Eifel races on the Nurburg Ring Caracciola won the big class, and Mays the 1,500 c.c. division, E.R.A. cars having a great day out.

Guthrie and Rusk won the senior and junior races respectively in the Swiss Grand Prix; Fagioli won the Barcelona Cup; Chiron (Alfa) won the Lorraine Grand Prix.

July

M. G. announced that they would build no more racing cars. F. W. Dixon (Riley) won the British Empire Trophy. Nuvolari won the Turin street race. Dreyfus (Alfa) won the Marne Grand Prix.

Carson won the Dublin "Hundred"; Guthrie and Rusk won their classes in the German Motor Cycle Grand Prix.

Fairfield won the Nuffield Trophy at Donington. Caracciola won the Belgian Grand Prix. Toohey, this time in a Ford, won the Leinster Trophy. Fairfield won the Dieppe Grand Prix des Voiturettes, and Dreyfus the Dieppe Grand Prix.

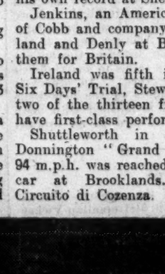
Nuvolari performed one of the feats of the season, beating the Germans, who had been supreme in all the most important races, in their own event—the German Grand Prix. Oliver Bertram broke the Brooklands lap record at 142.60 m.p.h. The women's lap record at the track was broken a number of times by Mrs. Petre and Mrs. Stewart.

Fontes won the Limerick street race, with Fairfield second. Hayes won the Temple motor cycle race. Cobb, Rose Richards and Dobson made a series of long distance records on the Bonneville salt beds in Utah.

Abandoned

THE withdrawal of the German entries as a result of the objection to currency export caused the abandonment of the Alpine Trial.

Nuvolari won the Nice Grand Prix; Varzi the Coppa Acerbo; Seaman the Junior Acerbo race; Woods the Swedish motor cycle Grand Prix. Yule and Statham took principal honours at the Kilternan hill climb, Toulmin and Hall at Craigantlet. Speeds were lower than expected at the Knock Club's kilometre trials.



Guthrie, Handley and Geiss won their classes in the Grand Prix de l'Europe, on Norton, Velocette and D.K.W. respectively.

John N. Willys, U.S. motor magnate, died; Victor Ferguson, popular Belfast trader, was killed in a motor accident.

Von Stuck was fastest in the German hill climb championships; Seaman was second fastest. Tadini (Alfa) was fastest in the Stelvio hill climb. Caracciola won the Swiss Grand Prix; Seaman won the 1,500 c.c. race. Von Stuck won the Italian Grand Prix.

Sir Malcolm Campbell averaged 301.129 m.p.h. in breaking the world's land speed record at Utah.

More Racing

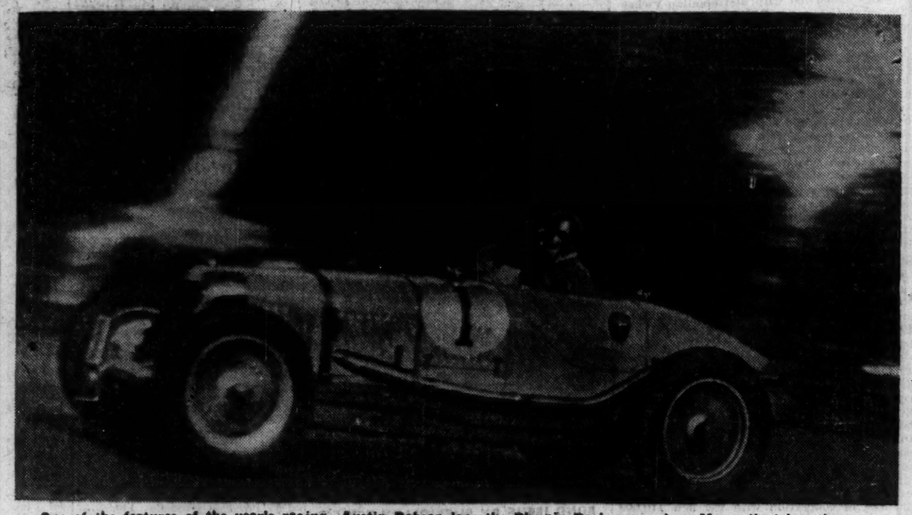
RACING continued with unabated enthusiasm as the autumn approached Freddy Dixon won the Ulster T.T. Furey won the Phœnix Park race, run for the first time over 200 miles. Dobson, Maserati, had a lap at 99.6 m.p.h.

Guthrie for the second successive year won both the Senior and Junior races in the Spanish Grand Prix. McConkey won the Belfast "Hundred." Caracciola won the Spanish (car) Grand Prix. Nuvolari won the Circuit of Modena. Cobb and Rose Richards won the B.R.D.C. 500 miles race in a Napier-Railton. Mays equalled his own record at Shelsley Walsh.

Jenkins, an American, beat the records of Cobb and company, but Eyston, Staniland and Denly at Bonneville recaptured them for Britain.

Ireland was fifth in the International Six Days' Trial, Stewart and Duffin being two of the thirteen from these islands to have first-class performances.

Shuttleworth in an Alfa won the Donnington "Grand Prix." A speed of 94 m.p.h. was reached with Diesel-engined car at Brooklands. Brivio won the Circuito di Cozenza.



One of the features of the year's racing—Austin Dobson laps the Phœnix Park course in a Maserati at less than a second under 100 m.p.h.

Manders won the Southern Centre Steeplechase Championship; T. W. Murphy was elected President of the M.C.U.I.; the Irish Motor Racing Club announced its plan for a race at Limerick.

Von Stuck, in an Auto Union, on an Italian road, covered a mile at 199 m.p.h. Nuvolari, in an Alfa Romeo, won the first race of the year—the Pau Grand Prix.

Moran won the Patland Cup.

Then came March. Sir Malcolm Campbell, at Daytona, raised the world's land speed record to 276.816 m.p.h. Archer went up to Belfast and won the McCrum Cup. Toohey, in an M.G. car, won the Cox Cup and then the car section of the Easter trial.

The R.A.C. rally took place to Eastbourne, and disappointment was expressed at the very small public interest shown.

Racers Get Busy

C. E. C. MARTIN, Bugatti, won the principal event at Donington's opening meeting. Pintacuda and Dellaseuta, in an Alfa, won the Mille Miglia.

Rusk failed in an attempt to lower the record for the Red Brae hill climb. J. W. Shaw (Jimmy's son) won the Ulster rally. There was grass track racing at Rathfarnham. Leask won the solo reliability championship trial. Woods was out of luck in the Spanish Grand Prix.

On the death of his father a well-known racing driver became the Duke of Richmond. Varzi won the Tunis Grand Prix, in an Auto Union, at 101.21 m.p.h. Luis Fontes, in an Alfa, won the International Trophy.

Guthrie Again

GUTHRIE made a new motor cycle record, covering 114 miles in an hour. Cobb regained the Brooklands lap record at 151.7 m.p.h. A number of attempts were made on the Brooklands mountain circuit record, Mrs. Petre being one of those successful.

Yeates won the Nicholson "scramble."

Ernest Eldridge, former world's record holder and great automobile engineer, died at an early age.

Dublin and District won the Inter-Club Reliability Championship; Leinster won the second division; Leask was the leading individual rider of 1935.

"And then," said the Old Year, pausing for breath. . .

"Is there any more?" asked the New Year.

"Oh, I've missed out lots. I forgot to mention the death of W. H. Alexander, the big Belfast trader. There was a great deal about the international formula."

"Don't you think there was rather much for a 'flash!'"

"It was a great year."

"You're tellin' me," replied Young Nineteen Thirty-six. "Listen in for my 'flash' twelve months hence. Believe me, old cock, it'll be some 'flash.'"

"Impertinent, slangy, young jackanapes," sighed the Old Year.

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DUBLIN WEDDING

DR. D. O'CONNOR CUFFEY AND MISS M. VERDON

The marriage took place early last Saturday morning, in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook, Dublin, of Dr. Desmond O'Connor Cuffey, F.R.C.S. (Ed.), son of the late Dr. and Mrs. Edward Cuffey, Port Said, and Miss Evelyn Margaret (Wendy) Verdon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Verdon, Anglesea road, Dublin.

The ceremony was performed by Canon D. Moloney, assisted by Father A. McArdle, S.J.

The bride, who was given away by her father, wore a picture gown of ivory poult, fashioned with a full skirt and fitting bodice. Her veil of Limerick lace, lent by Mrs. Ahern, was arranged from a wreath of orange blossoms. She wore pearls, the gift of the bridegroom, and carried a bouquet of lilies.

The bridesmaids—Miss Ann Spring, Miss Kitty Ahern and Miss Betty Davys—were dressed in sapphire blue velvet. They wore wreaths of gold leaves in their hair and carried sheaves of golden chrysanthemums.

Flight-Lieutenant J. Neely, R.A.F., acted as best man, and Mr. Peter Verdon and Mr. Walter O'Ferrall were groomsmen in the church.

After the ceremony a reception, for relatives only, was held at the bride's home. The bride's mother was wearing a smart navy cloque dress, with a hat to match.

The bride and bridegroom left afterwards for their honeymoon, which will be spent in Switzerland. The bride going away wore a Nankin blue dress, with a hat to match, and a musquash fur coat, the gift of the bridegroom.

ON THE WIRELESS

(Continued from Column 7.)

MIDLAND—298.2 Metres (1,013 Kc.) (25 Kw.).
10.45-5.15—Regional.
5.15—Children's Hour.
6. 0—Time, News and Weather.
6.30—"Tunes of the Year": Tony's Red Aces Dance Band.
7.25—Arthur Marshall.
7.40—"Midland Retrospect, 1935": A Review of Midland Programmes during the Past Year in the Form of a Conversation between Percy Edgar (Midland Regional Director) and R. J. Dunkerley (Programme Director).
8. 0—Regional.
9.40—North.
10.30—Time, News and Weather.
10.40—Regional.
11.45-12.30—National.

WEST—373.1 Metres (804 Kc.) (50 Kw.).
10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Weather.
10.45-5.15—Regional.
5.15—Children's Hour.
6. 0—Time, News and Weather.
6.30—Everett Davies and his Band
6.50—Bristol Ladies' Choir and Leonard Rice (baritone).
7.30—Regional.
8. 0—Gramophone.
8.30—Ronald Harding (violoncello), Hubert Pengelly (pianoforte).
8.55—A Welsh Talk, by Tegla Davies.
9.15—Gramophone.
9.25—Bertha Willmott (comedienne), relayed from the St. Mellons Country Club, St Mellons.
9.40—North.
10.30—Time, News and Weather.
10.40—Welsh.
10.45—Regional.
11.45-12.30—National.

NORTH—449.1 Metres (668 Kc.) (50 Kw.).
10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Weather.
10.45-5.15—Regional.
5.15—Children's Hour
6. 0—Time News and Weather.
6.30—News of the North: A Fortnightly Bulletin of Northern News, by W. L. Andrews.
6.50—The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra.
7.30—Regional.
9.40—"Auld Year's Night," or "Harry Hopeful's Court of Inquiry."
10.30—Time, News and Weather.
10.40—Regional.
11.45-12.30—National.

SCOTTISH—391.1 Metres (767 Kc.) (50 Kw.).
10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Weather.
10.45-5.15—Regional.
5.15—Scottish Children's Hour.
6. 0—Time, News and Weather.
6.30—Piping: Pipe-Major George Cruickshank.
6.45—By the Fireside: A Real Hameower Hogmanay.
7.30—Regional.
8. 0—The Year in Scotland: George Blake.
8.20—The B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra and Kathleen Garscadden (soprano).
9.30—Scottish News Bulletin.
9.40—"Auld Year's Night," or "Harry Hopeful's Court of Inquiry," relayed from Queen Mary's House, Jedburgh, on the borders of England and Scotland.
10.30—Time News and Weather.
10.40—Regional.
11.45-12.30—National.

ON THE CONTINENT

BERLIN (F) (356.7 m.)—7.0-2.0 a.m.—Berlin-Stuttgart New Year Gala; the Augmented Station Orchestras and Choirs of Berlin and Stuttgart.

BRUSSELS No. 2 (321.0 m.)—11.0-12 midnight—Relay of a Ball from the Zoo, Antwerp.

BUDAPEST (549.5 m.)—7.50 p.m.—New Year's Eve Programme.

COLOGNE (455.9 m.)—9.0-1.0 a.m.—New Year's Eve Programme.

MILAN (368.6 m.)—8.30-8.45 p.m.—"Der Mondreiter, Operetta in Three Acts (Zeehrer).

VIENNA—5.55-9.0 p.m.—"Die Fledermaus," Operetta (Strauss).

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ON THE WIRELESS

Daily Programme Review

DUBLIN: Dr. Weaving: Music and Painting, 7.

NORTHERN IRELAND: The Queen's Island Male Voice Choir, 7.

B.B.C. NATIONAL: Promenade Concert, 8.

REGIONAL: Variety, 8.

SCOTTISH: Choral and Orchestral Concert, 9.10.

WEST: Western Cabaret No. 1, 10.

VIENNA: Oratorio, "L'Enfance du Christ" (Berlioz-Weingartner), 8.

MILAN: Opera, "Iris" (Mascagni), 6.30.

DR. WEAVING, well known as one of Dublin's most active musicians, is one of the contributors one is glad to welcome to the microphone. For to-night Dr. Weaving has prepared a programme entitled, "Music and Painting," in which he will be assisted by the Station Orchestra.

In the series of talks on Science and the State, the speaker on this occasion is Professor Fearon, University of Dublin. He will be heard at 7.45. A lighter contribution—"Dancing Round the World"—will be presented by J. Harold Douglas at 9.10. (Dublin, Athlone and Cork.)

Nothing seems to mark the passage of time quite so forcibly as the Promenade Concerts, they are such substantial milestones. The memory of Sir Henry Wood's ovation which he received at the close of the summer season is only fading from our minds when we find that to-night he commences his winter season of two weeks, which will bring us well into the new year.

Sir Henry opens the concert and season with Berlioz's romantic "Le Carnaval Romain" (Roman Carnival), and closes Part I. of the programme with Beethoven's Fifth Symphony. The soloists are Eva Turner, who will be heard in the scena and aria, "Ozean! du Ungeheuer," from Weber's "Oberon," and Solomon, who will play Rachmaninov's Pianoforte Concerto No. 2 in C minor. The relay, which comes from the Queen's Hall, London, consists of Part I. of the concert.

Another concert of first-rate quality in the radio fixtures for to-night is that of the orchestral concert given under the auspices of the Choral and Orchestral Union of Glasgow in the Scottish programme. Egon Petri (who, by the way, is playing Liszt's pianoforte music in the "Foundations of Music" this week) will play the solo part in Liszt's Pianoforte Concerto No. 1 in E flat. A selection from the suite, "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme," of Richard Strauss will receive its first performance in Glasgow. John Barbirolli will conduct the Scottish Orchestra.

Frank Titterton, who as a tenor has many admirers, is singing to-night in the programme of the B.B.C. Orchestra, conducted by Joseph Lewis, at 7 (Regional), while at 4 in the afternoon Micklos Lorsy will conduct a Hungarian Gypsy Band.

The Regional variety programme is made up of some of the better known artistes, including Elsie and Doris Waters and Bennett and McNaughton. In the Western Cabaret listeners will hear Harry Hemsley in amusing child impersonations, and Philip Brown's Dominoes Band.

"Swing Low, Sweet Music" is the first stage in a journey along the path of melody and rhythm. The path, devised and planned by David Porter and Thomas Matthews, will be travelled by the Revue Orchestra, conducted by Thomas Matthews (North, 9).

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMMES

RADIO ATHLONE.—DUBLIN, 223 Metres (1,348 Kc.) (1 Kw.). **ATHLONE, 531 Metres** (565 Kc.) (60 Kw.), and **CORK, 242 Metres** (1,240 Kc.) (1 Kw.).
1.30-2.30—Gramophone.
5.30—Children's half-hour.
6. 0—Miss Anne Walsh—Talk: "The History of the Garden."
6.15—Gramophone Recital.
6.45—News.
7. 0—Dr. Weaving: Music and Painting.
7.15—Station Orchestra. Conductor, Dr. O'Brien. Leader, Signor Grossi.
7.45—Professor Fearon, University of Dublin—Science and the State: "Bio-Chemistry."
8. 0—Newcomers' Hour.
8. 0—News in Irish.
9.10—"Dancing Round the World"; Presented by J. Harold Douglas.
9.30—Sponsored Programme.
10.30—What Happened To-day, concluded by light music.
11. 0—Close down.

NORTHERN IRELAND — 307.1 Metres (977 Kc.) (1 Kw.).
10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Weather.
10.45-4.45—Regional.
4.45—Maisie Minford (soprano), Lily Smyth (contralto), Sally O. McGifford (pianoforte).
5.15—Children's Hour.
6. 0—Time, News and Weather.
6.30—Alex. Monaghan and his Orchestra, relayed from The Carlton Restaurant, Belfast.
7. 0—The Queen's Island Male Voice Choir, Stuart Redfern (violin), Marjorie Brown (violoncello).
7.40—The Northern Ireland Regional Director's Quarterly Talk.
8. 0—Regional.
10.30—Time, News and Weather.
10.40-12.0—Regional.

NATIONAL—1,500 Metres (200 Kc.) (150 Kw.).
10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Time Signal, Greenwich.
10.30—Weather.
10.45—Fashionable Crazes—I.: "Superstitions." Helen Simpson.
11. 0—Gramophone.
11.45—The Scottish Studio Orchestra.
12.45—Gramophone.
1.30—Organ Recital by Arnold Goldsbrough.
2.15—Gramophone.
3. 0—Harry Engleman's Quintet, with Mary Pollock (soprano) and Vernon Adcock (xylophone).
4. 0—A Sonata Recital: Joseph Shadwick (violin) and Wilfrid Parry (pianoforte).
4.30—The Aberaman Original Silver Band and Tom Williams (baritone).
5.15—The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra, directed by Henry Hall.
6. 0—Time, News and Weather.
6.30—The Foundations of Music: Liszt (1811-1886) Commemoration, under the direction of Bernard van Dieren. Pianoforte music played by Egon Petri.
6.50—Men Talking—14. Denis Johnston.
7.10—The Theatre. James Agate.
7.30—What does your Village do about This?—1: "The Village Hall." Granville Streatfeild.
7.50—William Walker with Janet Lind.
8. 0—Opening Night of the Promenade Concerts. Winter Season (1935-6), relayed from the Queen's Hall, London: Eva Turner; solo pianoforte, Solomon; the B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra; principal violin, Marie Wilson. Conducted by Sir Henry J. Wood.
9.40—News and Weather.
10. 0—Time.
10.10—The Leslie Bridgewater Quintet, Geoffrey Dunn (tenor), Diana Poulton (lute).
11.15-12.0—Maurice Winnick and his Orchestra.

REGIONAL—342.1 Metres (877 Kc.) (50 Kw.).
10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Weather.
10.45—Tom Jenkins at the Organ of the Plaza Cinema, Swansea.
11.15—Haydn Beard and his Band, relayed from the West End Cinema, Birmingham.
12.30—The B.B.C. Midland Orchestra.
1.30—Gramophone.
2. 0—Arthur Salisbury and his Orchestra, relayed from the Savoy Hotel.
3. 0—The B.B.C. Northern Ireland Orchestra.
4. 0—The Hungaria Gypsy Band.
4.45—A Ballad Concert: Sophie Rowlands (soprano), Tom Kinniburgh (baritone).
5.15—Children's Hour.
6. 0—Time, News and Weather.
6.30—Reginald Dixon at the Organ of the Tower Ballroom, Blackpool.
7. 0—The B.B.C. Northern Orchestra.
8. 0—Regional.
9. 0—"Swing low, sweet music." The first stage in a journey along the path of melody and rhythm, with its shaded lights and diminishes—its sunshine and gaiety. The path devised and planned by David Porter and Thomas Matthews, and travelled by the Revue Orchestra.
9.45—Dance Music. Jimmy Jack and his Serenaders, relayed from the Pavilion Hotel, Scarborough.
10.30—Time, News, Weather.
10.40-12.0—Regional.

MIDLAND—296.2 Metres (1,013 Kc.) (25 Kw.).
10.45-4.45—Regional.
4.45—Fay Levy (soprano), Samuel Saul (baritone), Sadie Tury (pianoforte).
5.15—Children's Hour.
6. 0—Time, News, Weather.
6.30—North.
7. 0—Gramophone.
7.30—"The Clock Ticks On," a Programme of Poetry, Prose and Music, arranged for Broadcasting by John Morley.
8. 0—Regional.
9. 0—The Rugby Town Band. Arthur Roberts and Joyce Jackson (pianoforte duets).
9.40—Jack Wilson and his Versatile Five, with Jack Ford (tenor).
10.30—Time, News, Weather.
10.40-11.15—Regional.

WEST—373.1 Metres (804 Kc.) (50 Kw.).
10.15—Daily Service.
10.30—Weather.
10.45-5.15—Regional.
5.15—Children's Hour.
6. 0—Time, News, Weather.
6.30—North.
7. 0—Excerpts from the Tom Arnold Pantomime "Cinderella." Relayed from the Alhambra Theatre, Glasgow.
7.50—A Talk by the Scottish Regional Director.
8. 0—Regional.
9. 0—A Reading by Augustus Beddie: "Sandie Jamieson and the School Board" (Mitchell).
9.10—The Choral and Orchestral Union of Glasgow Orchestral Concert, relayed from St. Andrew's Hall, Glasgow. Solo pianoforte, Egon Petri. The Scottish Orchestra. Conductor, John Barbirolli.
10. 0—Scottish Dance Music. The B.B.C. Scottish Orchestra (Strings only).
10.30—Time, News, Weather.
10.40-12.0—Regional.

ON THE CONTINENT

BUDAPEST (549.5 m.)—10.0-11.5 p.m.—Concert by the Pertis Cigány Band.

KALUNDBORG (1,261 m.)—8.55-10.0 p.m.—Modern Danish Music.

LEIPZIG (382.2 m.)—8.0-9.0 p.m.—March

TRAVELLERS AND NEW INDUSTRIES

THE QUESTION OF UNEMPLOYMENT

HOW PROTECTION IS WORKING

EXPERTS and technicians to new industries who were put on the road as commercial travellers were referred to at the annual meeting of the United Commercial Travellers' Association of Great Britain and Ireland (Dublin Branch), which was held in the Central Hotel, Dublin, last Saturday night.

Mr. A. W. Kirkpatrick presided at the meeting, in the absence, through illness, of the president (Sir Thomas Robinson).

Mr. H. Clements moved the re-election of Sir Thomas Robinson, saying that he had helped them through many difficulties during the past years. It was not for them to say whether or not those difficulties should have been put in their way, but they should do their best to overcome them. They had in this country a constitutional Government, and were willing to support it, but that was no reason why they should not say that things had been done to interfere with commercial life.

Mr. J. Cole, seconding the proposition, said that Sir Thomas Robinson had filled the office of president for almost fifteen years, and was a friend of all commercial travellers.

EXPERTS "ON THE ROAD"

In supporting the motion, Mr. J. H. Sheridan said that there was a tendency to put on the road as commercial travellers people who had come over to this country as experts or technicians to new industries.

In many cases these men, after a few months in the factory, were sent out on the road as travellers. There surely was no need for that when there were many unemployed. There were also cases of foreigners—who were not experts—coming to this country in the past few years and representing a number of Continental firms. That also should not be so. Some years ago the responsible Minister had promised them that the travellers who might become unemployed as a result of the various tariffs would be the first to be employed in the new industries. Up to the present time very few of their old friends had been employed in these industries.

There were men, claiming to be commercial travellers, going out from these new industries from door to door selling their commodities. The new industries were amply protected by tariffs and some were subsidised. There should be regulations that they should market their products through the regular channels. If the new industries were seeking to cut out the profits of the wholesaler and the retailer by going direct to the consumer then there was no reason why the heavy tariffs should continue to operate. With all the protection granted to these industrialists the bulk of their commodities were as dear as any imported, and in some cases dearer. That was unfair to the people, particularly to the thousands of men thrown, he stated, out of employment by new industries. The new industries had actually increased unemployment instead of decreasing it, as they had been told by public men. A letter was read some years ago, he stated, from the President congratulating the members on the success of the Association during the year. He had always been confident that the members would overcome the difficulties which had been inevitable owing to the changed conditions under which trade and commerce were now carried on in the Free State.

The meeting decided to send a telegram to Sir Thomas Robinson to wish him a speedy recovery from his illness.

INCREASED MEMBERSHIP

The membership showed an increase of twelve during the year, according to the annual report, which was read by Mr. W. F. Weir, honorary secretary. Many of their members, the report added, had been hard hit by trade conditions.

Mr. F. A. Wyatt, honorary treasurer, said that the Association had now 425 members.

Officers were elected as follows:—Vice-Presidents, Mr. J. S. McMurtry and Mr. H. K. Hillis; Chairman, Mr. J. S. McMurtry; Vice-Chairman, Mr. W. H. Martin. The honorary secretary and honorary treasurer were re-elected, and Messrs. A. and L. Goodbody were made honorary solicitors and Mr. W. C. Ribeck honorary auditor.

Votes of thanks were passed to Mr. H. K. Hillis, to the Ladies' Committee for their work in connection with the Samaritan Fund, to the auditor, and to the Central Hotel.

SERIES OF HUNTING ACCIDENTS

NARROW ESCAPE OF LADY URSULA MANNERS

Lady Ursula Manners, the nineteen-year-old daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Rutland, had a narrow escape from drowning when hunting with the Belvoir Hounds, near Melton Mowbray, on Saturday last. Her horse, in crossing a bridge above a flooded ditch, slipped and brought her down along with it into eight feet of water. After a struggle Lady Ursula was able to get her mount out of the ditch.

At Belvoir Castle yesterday it was stated that Lady Ursula had suffered no ill-effects from her immersion.

Sir Arthur Curtis, Lord Conyers, and Captain H. Rollo also were thrown at the same ditch, but escaped with a soaking.

Miss Yvery Paynter, youngest daughter of Brigadier-General and Mrs. G. Paynter, had two lucky escapes with the same field, when her pony twice threw itself down, and rolled in the flooded grass. On each occasion she fell clear.

Lady Isobel Manners, sister of Lady Ursula, had to retire when her mount went lame.

SOUTH WALES MINERS' DEMANDS

The Welsh anthracite miners' section of the South Wales' Miners' Federation unanimously passed a resolution at a delegate meeting on Saturday night, urging the Executive Council of the Miners' Federation of Great Britain to stand fast for a two shillings a day increase of wages.

The resolution added that any offer of a lesser amount—even though it be national and uniform—would be strongly opposed by the miners of the area.

A further resolution called for an immediate conference of the whole of the South Wales coalfield to discuss means of eliminating what was termed "companies' unionism," particularly regarding the Bedwas question. There has been continual trouble at the colliery at Bedwas in the past few years between the rival unions.

GERMAN GIRLS MAY BE "CONSCRIPTED"

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Sunday.

Every girl in Germany may be liable to "conscription" into the Labour Service during the coming year, it would appear from a hint in to-day's *Frankfurter Zeitung*. The paper published a new year's message from Herr Hierl, the head of the Labour Service, who says: "The new year will be especially decisive for the development of the Women's Labour Service." He reveals that the law of last June 27 gives authority to make the Labour Service compulsory for both sexes, and adds: "The voluntary Women's Labour Service, which has existed up till now, can only be a preliminary to compulsory service."

IRISH PROPERTY MARKET

REVIEW OF THE YEAR 1935

BUILDING LAND STILL IN DEMAND

MR. MAURICE E. DOCKRELL, Director of Messrs. Thos. Dockrell, Sons and Co., Ltd., in reviewing the property market for the year, said there had been a good demand for residential property at figures ranging from £800 to £3,000. The market had been dull in January, but this is generally the case, owing to the reaction of the Christmas holidays. Improvement was maintained from February onwards, and the market for this class of property, he could say, was fairly steady.

Demand for building land still continues, as it is difficult to get building sites. One peculiar effect the building boom has had on the property market is the great difficulty experienced in disposing of the good pre-war brick-built house in competition with the new modern house, this is particularly noticed in property ranging from £750 to £1,000, and can only be accounted for by reason of the attractive designs and the easy terms of purchase at which houses of this class can now be obtained. Houses of the overground basement type are fast going out of favour, and these splendid family residences are now being disposed of at sacrifice figures.

HIGH RENTS

Houses to let are still hard to obtain owing to the high rents in existence. The normal rent of houses still keeping the figure of £100 per annum, which, he considers, is high for the demand of persons of moderate means. There were more houses to let last year, and the rents were tending downwards, but this certainly is not the case at the present time.

Ground rents, while continuing to be the attractive investment, were a dull market in the early part of the year; this was owing to the threatened legislation in respect of the rents. Notwithstanding the recent statement made by the Minister for Finance, which should assure investors, the market is still erratic. Well-secured ground rents out of important business premises in one collection have been sold at about twenty years' purchase, but the ordinary leasehold rents, with numbers of collections, range from about 15 to 16½ years' purchase.

BUSINESS HOUSES

The demand for business premises has not been so good as last year; in fact, there are not many suitable premises available at the present time, as, owing to the tariffs for the last couple of years, all available premises have been acquired.

Mr. Dockrell said an interesting item in the property market last year was the sale of Elm Park (formerly the headquarters of Elm Park Golf Club) to St. Vincent's Hospital, and the sequel to this has been the disposal of Nutley, the property adjoining Elm Park, to a prominent builder, and Messrs. Dockrell were afterwards successful in disposing of Nutley House and 30 acres again to St. Vincent's Hospital, who acquired it for the purpose of granting a lease to the members of Elm Park Golf Club, and the beautiful mansion is now to be the home of the club.

The house agency department have had a busy year, the total amount of property disposed of including furniture amounting to a large sum. The figures of property and furniture valuations carried out were well maintained during the year.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

JAMES CONNOLLY

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—It is a literary crime to allow personal friendship to stand in the way of a frank appraisal of such a work as the study of the life of such a man as the late James Connolly. Your reviewer when reviewing the study of another rebel—Constance de Markievicz—did not spare the author. Why has he remained silent when reviewing the study of James Connolly by his daughter? Has a reviewer no responsibilities towards the readers of the newspaper in which his review appears?

The defects of "The Unbroken Tradition," the first work of the author of the present study of James Connolly, appear in this book. How can any portrait of James Connolly be an intimate one which ignores the existence and work of Mr. James Larkin? How can an author expect the public, familiar with her study, to believe in her sincerity when she deliberately ignores the work of James Larkin, especially in its intimate relations with James Connolly? The truth is that this study of James Connolly found the author occupied with two things at the same time. She had to write a study of James Connolly, and at the same time make doubly sure that she ignored the place that James Larkin ought to have occupied in it.

Your reviewer is acquainted with the facts; why did he not draw the attention of your readers to these deficiencies on the part of the author? Why did he not state, as he knew full well, that it was James Larkin who was responsible for the return of James Connolly and his family from the United States? Why did the author omit any mention of this fact? It is an insult to human intelligence for any person to write of those stirring days of 1913 and omit all mention of James Larkin. Why is there no mention of the hasty disintegration of the Irish Neutrality League in 1914? What changed James Connolly from the pacifist of 1914 to the militant Nationalist in 1916? Maybe James Larkin might be induced to break his long silence. James Connolly occupied too important a place in the life of the Irish people to permit any reviewer of a study of him to escape his responsibilities by writing of it that it "will appeal to many who care less for the exactness of history than for graphic description and stirring incidents of life."

Did James Connolly throw overboard his Socialist theories when he became a Nationalist, or was his nationalism part of his Socialist scheme of things? Surely, the author, his own daughter, ought to have been able to answer this question, especially when we are informed that she has "literary skill and art," and, above all, "shows all the literary artist's power of selection?"

James Connolly was a great man. His daughter renders him a great disservice by trying to picture him as she does. His work in Ireland, which gave him greater fame, was only made possible by the work of James Larkin. James Larkin, in my humble opinion, was the greater man of the two. He had an understanding of the masses that James Connolly could not have had because of his innate shyness when among people. James Connolly, when he returned to Ireland, had little sympathy with the modern trade union, or with any of the movements that James Larkin had created. It was his contact with the masses, through his associations with James Larkin that changed his point of view. I hope the next study of James Connolly will explain much that the present author has omitted to mention.

I refuse to believe, and cannot believe, that James Connolly at the age of 25 was the man his daughter would have us believe. He had more grit than that. He was a man of considerable talent; but it was that kind of talent that flourishes only in a prepared soil. Larkin prepared the soil for James Connolly. He made it possible for James Connolly to function in the North. He made it possible for James Connolly to pass out of life a much greater man than if he had remained without the knowledge gained from his active associations with the life of the Irish people, again made possible by James Larkin.—Yours, etc.,

JACK CARNEY.

Dublin, December 29th, 1935.

THE LATE COLONEL MADDEN

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—May I correct a slight error in your biography of the late Lieut.-Colonel T. C. W. Madden, whose death I was so sorry to see announced in your columns last Monday? He was a D.L. for Fermanagh, not for Monaghan. He was also a J.P. for the former county (in which his Manor-Waterhouse estate was situated) and was High Sheriff of it in 1909.—Yours, etc.,

BELMORE.

Castlecoole, Enniskillen,
December 27th, 1935.

RIDING IN THE PARK

Councillor Mrs. Maud Walsh and Miss Carmel Byrne (daughter of the Lord Mayor of Dublin) photographed when out riding in the Phœnix Park on Saturday afternoon.

SHORTHORN BREEDERS'

SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION

The fifteenth annual congress of the Irish Dairy Shorthorn Breeders' Society will open on Friday next in the Council Chamber of University College, Dublin, at 10 a.m. The Duchess of St. Albans will preside, and the Lord Mayor of Dublin, Alderman A. Byrne, T.D., will welcome the delegates.

Mr. de Valera will deliver an address to the congress, and will present the following challenge cups:—The Lady Desart Cup, for the best heifer in the Free State; the McCarthy Memorial Cup, for the best registered cow in the Free State; the Lord Dunraven Cup, for the best dairy bull in the Free State.

It is announced also that Dr. Ryan, Minister for Agriculture, will give an address on "The Cattle Problem." Mr. A. C. McCandlish, Ph.D., B.Sc., M.A., of the West of Scotland Agricultural College, Glasgow, will speak on "Aiming at Economic Milk Production."

Other addresses will be given by Dr. J. P. Drew, M.Sc., Professor of Agriculture, University College, Dublin, and Director of the Albert Agricultural College, Glasnevin; Mr. E. J. Sheehy, F.R.C.Sc.I., B.Sc., Lecturer in Animal Nutrition, University College, Dublin, who will talk on the experimental work in progress at the Albert College; and Mr. M. J. Gorman, A.R.C.Sc.I., Lecturer in Agricultural Botany and Bacteriology, University College, Dublin, who will speak on "The Essentials in the Production of High-grade Milk."

Resolutions to be discussed include one from the County Kerry Committee of Agriculture, dealing with the problem of uneconomic cattle, and the elimination of tuberculosis.

Cow-testing associations have put on the agenda resolutions: (a) Asking the Government to give preference to cow-testing association areas when selecting redundant cows for the Roscrea Meat Factory; (b) urging the amendment of the Livestock Breeding Act, so that bulls with accredited milk recorded ancestry should get preference for licences; (c) asking that classes for non-pedigree tattooed heifers be included in future at the Royal Dublin Society's Spring Show.

The afternoon session of the congress will be held at the Albert Agricultural College, Glasnevin.

INDIAN HONOUR FOR IRISH POET

DR. JAMES H. COUSINS

The issue of "Educational India" for November last contains the following reference to Dr. James H. Cousins:—

"The Associated Press of India of November 2 gives wide publicity to the investiture of Dr. James H. Cousins, the Irish poet, now Principal of Madanapalle College, Madras Presidency, India, with the ancient decoration of the *Veera Srinkhala*, or bracelet of heroism, and ceremonial robe by His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore during the birthday celebrations of the latter. The decoration is the sequel to the organisation by Dr. Cousins of the State Gallery of Indian Painting recently opened by His Highness, and is regarded as a unique event, since Dr. Cousins is, as far as can be ascertained, the first Westerner to receive this coveted recognition of eminent service to the State.

"The bracelet, formerly conferred on warriors, is the highest distinction in the gift of the Maharaja. It is made by hereditary palace goldsmiths after a traditional model of patterned gold in short overlapping sections, an inch in diameter, one-third of the bracelet being encrusted with precious stones in traditional patterns. The robe is of scarlet Kashmir cloth, with heavy gold-embroidered borders. This is usually given to scholars. The two together symbolise high cultural achievement. The *srinkhala* is mentioned in the oldest literature of India."

Justice (Madras) of July 27 last printed an address delivered by Dr. Cousins on "A.E., the Man and the Poet," at Madanapalle under the auspices of the College Literary Association. He was a life-long friend and a fellow-worker of the late George Russell.

SEARCH FOR ARTIST'S BODY

DISAPPEARED DURING SEA CROSSING

The body of Mr. Guy Budden, the young Canadian artist, who disappeared during a cross-Channel voyage on Christmas Day, has still to be recovered. During the week-end Southampton police established Budden's identity. He was aged about twenty-six, and had lived at Ebury street, London, S.W.

Budden disappeared from the Southern Railway steamer, Dinard, between Havre and Southampton. He boarded the vessel as a third class passenger, but shortly after sailing transferred to second class, paying the excess fare to the purser. He was last seen about 2.30 a.m. on Christmas Day. An unusual beard was one of the clues which helped to identify Budden. He wore a growth of hair, about an inch wide, running from ear to ear. All the tabs had been cut from his clothing found on the ship.

Budden's parents lived in Calgary, Canada. Mrs. M. Burns, of Ebury street, with whom Budden lodged, said to a reporter: "He told me he was going back to Canada, and he left here on December 18 to go to Paris, where he was to stay until Christmas Eve. I have had no word from any of his acquaintances—and he had many friends in London. He was something of an artist, but he followed the profession of teaching people who stammer. He had a number of pupils, I should say about three or four people came here every day. He did not want to go back to Canada."

BRITISH LEGION DANCE

The annual new year's eve dance, organised by the Irish Metropolitan Branch of the British Legion with the co-operation of the Women's Central Branch, is invariably one of the jolliest and most popular features of the holiday festivities. This year's fixture is again being held in the Regal Ballroom, and the advance bookings are already so heavy that it has been found necessary to limit the number of tickets. A special cabaret and supper have been arranged, and the music will be supplied by Mr. Jimmy Campbell and his band, so that the patrons are assured of a very enjoyable evening's entertainment. The entire proceeds are being devoted to the branch benevolent funds.

BAG-SNATCHER SENTENCED

SEQUEL TO BELFAST CHASE

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Saturday.

The chase after a bag-snatcher through the centre of Belfast was described in the Belfast Police Court to-day, when James Ewing, Malvern street, was charged with stealing a bag, the property of Miss Kathleen Smith.

Miss Smith, Rutherglen street, said that while she was shopping in Woolworth's, North street, on Friday afternoon, she heard someone shout that there was a man running away with her handbag, which had been in her basket. She ran after the man, who was the accused, and overtook him at the door. He denied that he had taken it, but when witness asked him to accompany her to a policeman he produced the bag from beneath his waistcoat, saying: "I'll give it back to you. Don't give me in charge." The bag contained £2 10s. Nothing was taken.

Special Constable S. Orr said that he saw the man running out of Woolworth's pursued by a crowd of women. After the return of the bag witness followed the accused man, and meeting Constable Harrison told him what had happened. Defendant got away, but was pursued and caught in the Regent street district.

Accused man's wife said that her husband was not accountable for his actions as he suffered from nerves in his head.

Constable Harrison said that the defendant did suffer from sleepy sickness, but he had been at this bag-snatching for a long time, and was a danger in the streets of the city.

Sentencing accused man to two months' imprisonment, without hard labour, Mr. O'Donoghue said that the public had to be protected.

"AT HOMES"

THE COUNTESS OF MEATH

Over three hundred guests accepted the invitation of the Countess of Meath on Saturday afternoon, when she gave a very enjoyable party at Kilruddery, Bray. The handsome residence was gaily decorated with evergreens and quantities of chrysanthemums. Masses of the blooms were in the hall and the drawing and diningrooms. In the drawingroom Mrs. Harding's Quintette played a fine selection of music. The members of the orchestra, all dressed in blue, made an effective picture against the gold of the room. Refreshments were served in the diningroom and in the library.

Lady Meath, who wore a becoming two piece dress, with corsage of flowered silk, was assisted by her two daughters, Lady Maureen Brabazon, who wore a smart rust-brown frock, and Lady Muriel Brabazon, who was dressed in Chinese blue.

Among the guests were the members of the house party, which included the Earl of Verulam, Lord Forrester, the Hon. Brian Grimston, Mr. Desmond Fitzgerald, Lady Farquhar and Lord Ardee.

Others present were:—Viscount and Viscountess Powerscourt, the latter wearing a graceful grey gown, and hat to tone; the Spanish Minister and Madam Alvarez Aguilar; the United States Minister and Mrs. Mansfield Owsley, who wore black; the German Minister and Frau Von Kuhlmann. Mr. Orr Denby and Mrs. Denby, the latter in a smart dark blue costume; the Belgian Consul-General and Madam Goor, the American Consul-General and Mrs. Balch, who wore a black satin and velvet dress; Mr. and Mrs. William Cosgrave, the Archbishop of Dublin and Mrs. Gregg, the Rev. Chancellor Scott and the Misses Scott, Sir Walter and Lady Nugent, Canon Bowden, P.P.; the Italian Consul-General and Madam Lodi Fè, Mr. and Mrs. D. Jameson, the Swiss Consul-General and Madam Bensiger, the Consul-General for Poland and Madam Dobryzynski, Mr. and Mrs. Lennox Robinson, Mr. Bohane, Mr. Peyton, M.F.H.; the Misses Tottenham, Sir Edward and Lady Hodson, Mr. and Mrs. Tighe, Dr. Taylor and Miss Taylor, Colonel and Mrs. Stourton, Mrs. Hodson, Mr. S. Hodson, Capt. Wilson, Mr. Leo Whelan and the Misses Whelan, Mr. and Mrs. Toomey, Captain and Mrs. Denis Daly, Professor and Mrs. Starkie, the Warden of St. Columba and Mrs. Sowby, Bishop and Mrs. Plunket, Mr. and Mrs. Orpen, the Misses Riall, Mrs. Bryan Cooper, Mr. and Mrs. Desmond Fitzgerald, Mr. and Mrs. James McNeill.

MRS. STAMFORD ROCHE

Mr. and Mrs. Stamford Roche gave a large sherry party at their residence, Craigholm, Foxrock, Co. Dublin, on Saturday afternoon. There were nearly 400 guests present, and it was a very pleasant function, many coming from Lady Meath's party, at Bray.

Mrs. Roche wore an afternoon frock in two tones of blue. Her little daughters, both dressed in blue velvet with dainty white collars, were most attentive to the guests.

Those present included Lord and Lady Hemphill, Lady Chance and party, Major R. R. Martin, the American Minister and Mrs. Owsley, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Nolan and Mr. Allan Nolan, Captain and Mrs. Pim, Mr. and Mrs. G. Goodbody, Dr. Gilbert Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Fitzherbert, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jacob, Mr. and Mrs. Donald O'Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Sean Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Desmond McWeeney, M. and Madam Briére, Dr. and Mrs. Barry, Mr. and Mrs. P. Rooney, Dr. and Mrs. P. Dempsey, Mr. Andrew Martin, Dr. and Mrs. H. Meade, Dr. and Mrs. John Cunningham.

Mr. and Mrs. Bertie O'Reilly, Mr. and Mrs. Charles O'Reilly, Major and Mrs. Victor Parr, Mr. and Mrs. Denby, Mrs. Bryan Cooper, Dr. and Mrs. Louis Werner, Mr. and Mrs. Horsbrugh-Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Manley and Miss Joan Manley, Dr. and Mrs. Lee Parker, Judge and Mrs. Green, Dr. and Mrs. Henry Moore, Colonel and Mrs. Hogan, Major de Courcy Wheeler, Dr. and Mrs. Steen, Mr. Gerard Sweetman, Colonel and Mrs. Hill-Dillon, Mr. Justice Wylie and Mrs. Wylie, Captain and Mrs. Wardell, Dr. and Mrs. O'Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. Eric Stapleton, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Stapleton, Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Martin, Mr. and Mrs. T. Murphy, Mrs. T. Roche, Dr. and Mrs. O'Meara, Mr. Tony Ryan, the United States Consul-General and Mrs. Balch, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Wallis, Mr. and Mrs. Figgis, Mr. and Mrs. Denis Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Hurley, Mr. and Mrs. G. Kennedy, Captain and Mrs. G. Wilson, Mrs. Dunn Cullinan.

Miss Josephine Nolan, of 29 Rathfarnham Park, Rathfarnham, Dublin, who died on September 15th last, left personal property in England and the Irish Free State of the value of £4,962.

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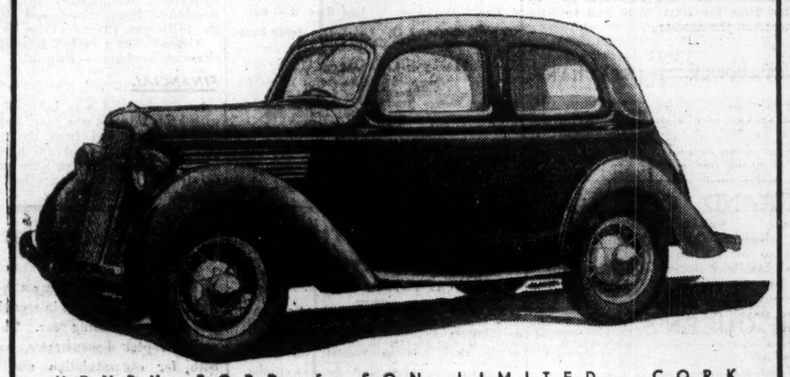

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DUBLIN'S CAB DERBY

81 VEHICLES IN PHŒNIX PARK

PRIZES PRESENTED BY LORD MAYOR

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

THE Gough Monument, Phœnix Park, Dublin, round which many a famous driver has skidded his way to victory in an Irish motor race, was the scene of a quiet and more dignified event last Saturday afternoon. Eighty-one cabmen, seated high on what a modern dictionary rudely calls "a two or four-wheeled vehicle used in France in the 17th century," trotted their horses gently round the corner—for galloping is strictly forbidden in a Cab Derby.

This annual Cab Derby—the fourth—is organised and run by a committee in aid of Dublin cabmen and their horses. It is the one day in this modern world when the horse reigns supreme. As each entrant arrived on Saturday he was presented with a bag of oats and a bag of bran for his horse and cigarettes, tobacco and a £1 note for himself. Virtually all the cabmen take the occasion very seriously; some, it must be said, are attracted by the certainty of a "hire." No confirmation could be obtained for the report that two "cabbies" had driven up from Cork for the event.

PICKING THE WINNER

After a preliminary canter to the starting line and a steady five miles an hour round the monument, six cabs were selected by the judge (Mr. Jack Miller) for the final parade. Mr. Laurence Enstace, of Lower Exchange street, was finally picked out as the winner, and the Civic Guards on duty had literally to hold back the cheering crowd when the Lord Mayor presented him with £2 and a rug, and his fair passengers with a silver cake stand. Eustace has a magnificent record in the annual Derby. Last year he also gained first prize; the year before a third, and in the inaugural event second prize. He has been a "cabby" in Dublin for sixteen years. "Paddy," his horse, had the honour of being driven by the first citizen of the city while Press camera men made the most of an opportunity.

When the second prize had been presented to Patrick Carty, of Bow lane, and the third to a namesake of the Lord Mayor—J. Byrne, of Ringsend—the Lord Mayor, in a short speech, congratulated Mr. G. J. Bonass, the organising secretary, on the great success of the derby. He also thanked all those individuals and firms who had so kindly assisted with prizes and subscriptions. Bars of chocolate were distributed to the children present, and the day of the year for cabmen was over.

NAMES OF ENTRANTS

Passing back to the city from the Park, a long line of "two or four-wheeler vehicles" might have been seen standing outside hotels in the neighbourhood.

Horses contentedly chewed their oats and bran, and cabmen just as contentedly broke their £1 notes.

According to the racecard, some of the owners were distinctly original in their choosing of names for their quadrupeds. Among the modern names were:—"Hails Selassie," "Addis Ababa," "Wicklow Gold," while there seemed to be a tinge of bitterness in "Overdraft." The "Flying Flea" trotted after "Flying Bedstead," to be followed in quick succession by "Mae West," "Holey Smoke" and "The Blonde Bombshell." Perhaps the name "What's Yours" was the most appropriate for the aftermath of the derby.

FUNERAL OF MR. J. F. O'SULLIVAN

There was a large and representative attendance at the funeral in Cork yesterday of Mr. John F. O'Sullivan, for over twenty years a member of the Cork Corporation. The clergy present were:—The Rev. R. Barrett, C.C.; the Rev. T. Daly, C.C.; the Rev. F. Fitzgerald, C.C., St. Finbarr's; the Rev. J. C. O'Flynn, C.C.; the Rev. J. Fehilly, C.C., SS. Peter and Paul's.

The chief mourners were:—The Rev. E. O'Sullivan, Rector, East Acton, London, and Mr. W. J. O'Sullivan (brothers); Messrs. Don, John, Timothy and William O'Sullivan (nephews); Misses Nellie and Mary O'Sullivan (nieces), and Mrs. W. J. O'Sullivan (sister-in-law).

IRISH NEWS IN BRIEF

Lorry Through House.—A lorry belonging to David Donaldson, Derrygonnelly, was being driven along the main street of the village when it skidded and went backward into the house of Dr. McBrien. The rear corner of the vehicle smashed the window of the house and demolished portion of the wall.

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Watchman's Fate.—Missing since last Friday, the body of Daniel O'Leary, Glandore avenue, Blackrock, Cork, who was employed as a night watchman by the Cork Harbour Commissioners, was recovered from the River Lee on Saturday. He had been employed on board the hopper Owenabue.

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Alleged Smuggling.—When a Fermanagh man came home from the Free State for Christmas he was arrested by the police on a charge of smuggling. He was brought before a special Court at Pettigo and remanded on bail of £300 and two sureties of £150 each. He was Owen Monaghan, Meen tullyclough, and the charge was alleged evasion of duty on ten head of cattle on August 31 last, since which date he had been in the Free State.

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Fatal Horse Kick.—At an inquest which was held by Coroner Rice last Saturday at Fermoy on the body of Timothy Twohig (15), son of Michael Twohig, labourer, Rathroe, Rathcoole, a verdict was returned "that the boy died following an operation at Fermoy Hospital for peritonitis, as the result of perforation of the small intestine caused by a kick from a horse, the property of John McCarthy, farmer, Rathcoole."

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Valuation Appeals.—180 appeals against valuations fixed by the Commissioner of Valuation under the revaluation scheme have been lodged in County Tyrone for hearing at the Quarter Sessions. The appellants include three large industrial concerns, and two large property owners. Tyrone County Council appeals against the assessment on their quarries, stores and property used for public purposes; and the Sisters of Mercy, Strabane, appeal against a valuation in respect of £342 5s. on the Strabane Convent Secondary School.

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Lorry Over Embankment.—The driver, J. Britton, and his helper, had a narrow escape when a nine-ton lorry belonging to Robert Irvine, carrier, Enniskillen, skidded at a sharp bend at Killynure Railway Bridge, near Enniskillen, and fell over the embankment. The vehicle was thrown on its side at the edge of the embankment which falls steeply to the railway line. The lorry was carrying nearly eight tons of goods, all of which were scattered over the road and down the embankment. Beyond receiving a slight shaking, the occupants escaped without injury.

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£47,000 Schemes.—Longford Board of Health's proposal for sewerage schemes in Ballymahon, Mostrim, Lanesboro', Drumlish and Ballinalee are estimated to cost £17,906, and proposed water schemes for the same places £29,300, making a total of £47,206. Mr. Hearne suggested that the Department be requested to give a grant towards the schemes. Mr. Tuite said that it was proposed to build new houses in those towns, and without a proper sewerage and water scheme the housing schemes would be turned down. The Board decided to await the detained report of Mr. McCarthy, Local Government Engineer, in regard to the schemes.

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Dirty Eggs Prosecution.—"It is the worst case I have ever heard," said Major Dickie, R.M., when he imposed fines totalling £15 at Kesh Petty Sessions on George Armstrong, Termon Stores, Clonelly, who was charged with breaches of the Eggs Marketing Act. William Boyle, an inspector of the Ministry of Agriculture, stated that out of 150 dozen only 16 were in order. Thirty per cent. were dirty. Defendant gave evidence that there had been some trouble about the issuing of a licence, and a fortnight's supply had accumulated. He informed the consignees of this fact. For offering stale eggs for sale defendant was fined £5, and for offering unclean eggs £10. A summons against defendant for failing to include identification tickets was dismissed on the merits.

DUBLIN DOG SHOW

At the Dublin Dog Show Society's Show Blayney Joan, the property of Mr. R. Spence, Myrtleville, Castleblayney, Co. Monaghan, won first prize in the Irish setters' open bitch class. This animal got first prize and green star for the best bitch of the breed in the show.

THE IRISH PIG INDUSTRY

BETTER TRADE NORTH AND SOUTH

LARGER BACON AND HAM EXPORTS

AS compared with the position in 1933 and 1934, the Irish pig trade for the fifty-one weeks of this year, ending on December 21, showed a distinct improvement.

The total number of pigs dealt with by Irish bacon curers and exported from this country since the beginning of the year was 1,775,194. In the same period last year the number was 1,545,406, and in 1933 it was 1,328,808. The increase in the number handled this year over last year is thus over two hundred thousand.

THE FREE STATE

In the Free State the total for the year up to the present was 1,182,296. This also represented an increase over last year, when the figures were 1,059,811, and over 1933, when the trade totalled 898,943 pigs.

Exports reflected increased trade in both North and South. From Northern Ireland the total number exported was 84,346, as compared with 76,162 last year, while the Free State export trade accounted for 122,053 pigs, an increase of 46,368 over last year, and of 62,937 over 1933. The exports for the week ending December 21st at 8,365 showed an increase of over 1,600 on the previous week, but there was a fall in the numbers bought for curing.

PORK TRADE

There was a slight fall in the fresh pork trade with Great Britain during the last eleven months as compared with last year, but the quantity of bacon and hams exported was considerably larger, the amount last year being 385,276 cwts., and this year 454,571. Imports of bacon and hams in November this year totalled 591,258 cwts.

SHIPPING HELD UP

FOG OFF WEXFORD COAST

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

ROSSLARE HARBOUR, Saturday.

A dense fog was experienced off the South Wexford coast this morning. Shipping was severely hampered, and at times the fog became so thick that vessels finding progress impossible were forced to anchor. In spite of the fog, the Rosslare-Fishguard mail boats managed to maintain their schedules, and the incoming steamers were only a few minutes late arriving. The fog signals on the Tuskar Rock Lighthouse, and on the four Wexford coast lightships, had to be kept going continuously. Vessels had to grope their way cautiously around Carnsore Point.

AN IRISHMAN KILLED

DURING POLICE CHASE OF CAR

A man who was killed while walking in Uxbridge road, West Ealing, on Friday night, as the result of an accident in which a police wireless car was concerned, has been identified as John Patrick Greene (41), an analyst employed at the Government Laboratory at Clements Inn. The police car was being driven in pursuit of another car, which was believed to have been stolen, and two officers—Police Constable Rees and Police Constable Richardson—were injured. They were taken to King Edward Hospital, Ealing, but were able to leave after receiving treatment.

The occupants of the pursued car—which crashed into a shop window—disappeared shortly after the accident.

Mr. Greene, whose home was at Oxford road, Ealing, was a native of Galway. He leaves a wife and three children, the eldest of whom is about five years of age.

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Boris Karloff, Colin Clive, Elsa Lanchester, in
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THE FINEST DOUBLE FEATURE PROGRAMME DUBLIN HAS YET SEEN.
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Dancing 9 p.m. to 3.30.
SUPPER AND DANCE, 10/6 (including tax).
Tables must be definitely booked and Tickets secured before 12 noon on Tuesday.
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"SEE THIS PICTURE"—("Irish Press").
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A DRAMA OF TROUBLED DUBLIN IN 1920.
SHOWING at 2.30, 4.50, 7.10, 9.30.

PAVILION DUN LAOGHAIRE.
3.30 to 10.30.
MUSIC, SONGS, CRAZY COMEDY
SCHNOZZLE DURANTE,
CHAS BUTTERWORTH and NELSON EDDY, in
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

DUBLIN PORT AND DOCKS ACTS, 1898-1925.

Notice is hereby given that the undermentioned have been nominated as Candidates for Election as "Traders' Members" and as "Shipping Members" at the Election to be held in pursuance of the above Acts on Tuesday, 7th January, 1936:—

CANDIDATES PROPOSED AS "TRADERS' MEMBERS."

Birmingham, Michael, 199 North Circular road, Dublin.
Byrne, George Connel, 26 Usher's Island, Dublin.
Kelly, William Joseph, 97/99 Grafton street, Dublin.
Leonard, Patrick, 17 Lr. Dominick street, Dublin.
McCabe Matthew Joseph, 30/35 South City Markets, Dublin.

CANDIDATES PROPOSED AS "SHIPPING MEMBERS."

Gordon Alan Samuel, 17 Eden quay, Dublin.
Hewat, Cecil Duxbury, 29 George's quay, Dublin.
Hollwey, James Bell, 12 Burgh quay, Dublin.
Laurie, Thomas Franklin, 1/2 Upper O'Connell street, Dublin.

E. H. BAILEY, Secretary.
Port and Docks Offices,
Westmoreland street, Dublin.
28th December, 1935.

WEATHER FORECAST

General Inference.—An intense depression is centred west of Ireland, and a trough of low pressure will move northeastwards across the British Isles. Weather will be unsettled, with showers and bright periods in all districts.

Ireland, all Districts.—Squally southwest to south wind; bright periods; showers; hail locally; mild.

Sea Passages.—Strong squally south to south-west wind; bright periods; showers; sea rough.

Dixon and Hempenstall Barometers and Thermometers.—12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN WEATHER REPORT.

Dec.	Bar.	Thermometer 9 a.m.	Max.	Min.	Grass Min.	Wind.	Rain m.m	Sun hours
23	29.484	39.7	46	21	18	E.	–	0.2
24	28.920	42.1	48	36	30	S.E.	5.7	0.0
25	28.772	48.4	50	38	28	S.S.E.	5.1	1.2
26	28.698	49.1	50	46	43	S.	0.4	0.0
27	29.054	46.0	50	45	36	–	1.1	0.2
28	29.400	41.8	47	38	35	S.W.	trace	0.5
29	29.02	46	46	37	23	E.S.E.	2.9	0.4

THE SUN.

	To-day.	To-morrow.
Rises	8.41	8.41
Sets	4.14	4.14
Lighting-up Time	4.44	4.45

HIGH WATER—DUBLIN.

Morning	2. 7	2.56
Evening	2.29	3.21

AT OTHER PORTS.

	Morning.	Evening.
Belfast	1.49	2. 4
Cork	8.19	8.46
Drogheda	1.55	2.17
Dundalk	1.52	2.14
Galway	8. 7	8.35
Londonderry	11.14	11.48
Sligo	8.44	9.11

The Irish Times.

NEWS SUMMARY

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1935.

IRELAND

It was officially stated last night that the American Importer, the vessel on which Colonel Lindbergh and his family are supposed to be travelling to England, is going direct to Liverpool, and will not, therefore, touch at Cove.—(Page 7.)

An agreement providing for the restoration of 2½ per cent. of the existing "cut" of 7½ per cent. on wages, has been signed by the Great Southern Railways Company and the three railway unions.—(Page 7.)

A very large audience last night enjoyed the performance given at the Abbey Theatre in honour of Dr. Larchet, who has retired from the position of musical director. After the performance Mr. Lennox Robinson made a fit acknowledgment of Dr. Larchet's valuable services throughout the twenty-seven years of his connection with the theatre, and announced that at a future date he would be presented with his portrait. Dr. Larchet, in reply, spoke of the loyalty of the orchestra and of all connected with the theatre, and commended his successor, Mr. May.—(Page 2.)

At a special court which was held at Ballinasloe, Thomas Curley (29) was charged with the murder of his wife.—(Page 7.)

Following the wounding of Constable Ian Hay during a raid for arms in Belfast last Friday night, a man was charged in the police courts on Saturday and remanded till next Friday.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD

The crucial stage of the Abyssinian war is at hand. After months of patient waiting, the Abyssinians were expected to launch their long-deferred counter-offensive against the Italian forces yesterday. This week promises to see the bitterest fighting yet experienced.—(Page 7.)

SPORTING

At Leopardstown on Saturday, Delay won the Three-Year-Old Hurdle, Philip's Fancy the Shankill Hurdle, Lady Barney the Tower Hurdle, Bryan O'Linn the Silverpark Steeplechase, Linby Hall the Sandyford Steeplechase, and Brown John the Stillorgan Plate.—(Page 10.)

Airgead Sios won the Reading Steeplechase at Newbury.—(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL

Lombard street was busy on Saturday with loans into the new year, and a further sum was borrowed from the bank. The rate was 2½ p.c. Gold was fixed at 140s. 11d. per oz., and there were no dealings in silver. French francs had a weaker appearance. (Page 3.)

Transport in 1935

To-day our Special Correspondent, "Observer," looks back upon the progress which Ireland has made in regard to transport during the closing year. The country, as his report demonstrates, has reason both for congratulation and for self-condolence. North of the border a genuine effort is being made to establish a sound, strongly co-ordinated system of transport. During 1935 the Government of Northern Ireland decided to accept the recommendations of the British expert, Sir Felix Pole, with the result that the Six Counties now possess what is, in some respects, the most advanced system in these islands. All road transport services, with a few notable exceptions, have been concentrated under the control of a Road Transport Board; and a joint committee of representatives of the Board and of the railway companies has been formed to distribute earnings on a "pooling" basis, and to co-ordinate road and rail services. The experiment barely has begun, but there is ample reason to hope that it will be a success. Until this year competition had crippled transport in the North. Fares had been cut to a grossly uneconomic level; numerous services were redundant, and both road and rail companies had been brought to the edge of bankruptcy. The new system, though it bears hardly on many former owners of omnibus and lorry services, yet offers promise of cheap, efficient and reasonably profitable transport. Its adoption is not the most popular of the Northern Government's measures, inasmuch as it involves a formidable degree of State control; but the experience of every country within the last few years has shown that some degree of State control is the sole alternative to complete control by the State. London has been forced to reform its transport on somewhat similar lines to those which have been adopted in the North, and the success or failure of the two experiments will afford immensely valuable *data* to the Free State and to England.

Turning to the Free State, our correspondent surveys a less satisfactory condition of affairs. The Great Southern Railways Company, indeed, appears to have turned the corner. Its long decline of prosperity has been arrested; its receipts show a considerable improvement; traffic has been diverted from road to rail; non-paying lines have been abandoned, and much waste has been eliminated. These changes, we think, are no less to the public benefit than to that of the company itself; for the Free State, small as she is, cannot afford to dispense with her railways, and until this year there was a very grave danger that they might succumb to the vicious competition of the road services. Unhappily, the spirit of progress which seems to have animated the Free State's railway companies is not reflected by the concern that administers transport in the Free State's capital. The affairs of the Dublin United Tramways Company have not improved during 1935, and the company, to all appearances, is inclined to follow a policy of *laisser faire*. It possesses a statutory right to buy out all road competitors, but the exercise of this right has imposed a severe strain on its finances, which also were damaged by the ten weeks' strike of last spring. The shrinkage of its revenues, however, hardly entitles the D.U.T.C. to reduce its road services—and, for that matter, its tram services; to increase fares to an almost prohibitive level, to maintain vehicles of which very many are obselete, and, generally, to exploit its monopoly at the public expense. So long as this disposition prevails in its counsels there can be little hope either of efficient transport within the confines of Greater Dublin or of profits for the shareholders. The history of 1935, so far as Dublin transport is concerned, has been a tale of decline.

What will be the state of Irish transport by the end of 1936? By that time the Northern experiment will have had an opportunity to justify itself, and in all probability will have succeeded. By that time, too, the Free State railways ought to have advanced farther upon the road to prosperity. Thanks to the Government, they have been safeguarded against collapse: during 1936 their task will be to prove themselves worthy of their privileged position. It is not enough to bring custom back to the railways: they must realise that they exist for the public convenience. Many of the existing railway services are far too "occasional"; too many journeys are unnecessarily slow; too many stations are uncomfortable and inconvenient; far too many carriages are worn and dirty. All these deficiencies must be repaired. Early steps must be taken to provide the Free State with a system of rail transport which will be not merely profit-making, but highly efficient; and herein the Great Southern Company might do worse than follow the example of the Great Northern. A more formidable problem awaits the Dublin United Tramways Company. It is manifestly impossible that Dublin transport can remain as it is at present; money cannot be lost indefinitely, and the public cannot be forced to endure discomfort very much longer. Before the coming year is out, we hope, measures will have been taken either by the Dublin United Tramways Company or by some other, equally privileged, authority to bring the city's services up to at least the average level which prevails in other cities of similar size. Such a reform, indeed, will be costly; but its cost will be justified by the great need. There is no real reason why every quarter of this island of ours should not enjoy model facilities for the transport both of passengers and of goods.

Japan's Millions

The whole question of peace and war becomes more confusing when it is remembered that a nation is urged to make war less by original sin than by the pressure of quite natural forces. Japan's conduct in China, for example, is most disturbing to the world's peace, but in a sense it is inevitable. She acted quite indefensibly when she seized Manchuria, and her intrigues since that time, which are aimed at an even further invasion of China, are becoming such a dangerous irritation to Russia and the United States that sooner or later trouble is almost bound to break out. Yet the real reason for her actions is to be found, not in villainy, but in the Japanese birth-rate. Japan is being led towards acts of aggression by the fact that the few small islands which comprise the nation are being filled to overflowing. The amazing fertility of the Japanese is shown in the latest returns. In 1934 the number of births was 2,043,783, and the net increase of births over deaths was 809,099—about twice the total population of Dublin. Japan, whose present population is about half that of the United States, has the same annual increase; and her birth-rate last year, 29.97 *per* thousand, was more than double the British figure of 14.8. It is true that the increase gives some indication that it is slackening. Last year was the second in succession to show a decline in the birth-rate, and there has been a distinct fall from the 1920 figure of 36.19 *per* thousand. The reason for this tendency lies partly in the practice of birth-control, and partly in the fact that the marriage age has become later—among well-to-do people because of the claims of education, and among the poorer classes because the men no longer marry until they have finished their period of military service. Yet even now Japanese babies are born at the rate of almost four a minute, and for many years to come Japan will need to provide for an ever-growing number of citizens. The experts, indeed, hold that the rate will continue to fall, and that in 1950 the births and deaths will balance in a population of about eighty millions. How can so great a number live in so small a country? Japan is faced with the need for expansion, and, since she has no colonies in which to place the surplus population, she intends to acquire them. Her very methods, unscrupulous though they may be, are due to the rapid increase of the last thirty years; for it has made Japan into a nation of young men, and has coloured her policy with all the rashness of youth. To accept these facts is not to condone the injustice and tyranny to which they have led in Japan's case, but real peace never will come until the world finds some way to recognise such facts, and to provide for them without recourse to violence.

A People's Laureate

Rudyard Kipling is seventy years of age to-day. Many middle-aged Irishmen will be surprised when they come to realise that he is younger than Mr. Yeats, because when they were boys the name of Kipling was ringing throughout the British Empire, and a long lifetime seems to separate us to-day from the stirring time of the Boer War, when he was in his prime. Controversy rages around the poetry of Kipling to-day, just as it raged thirty years ago, and will continue to rage generations hence. What is his place in English literature? Judged by the standards of the superior critics, he probably would not rank as a poet at all. No other writer has had so many sneers directed against his work by those persons whom the Americans describe as "highbrows." He has been stigmatised as a poetaster, a jingler, and a literary charlatan; yet somehow, despite the scorn of the "moderns," and the delicately lifted eyebrows of the *dilettantes*, his poetry seems to survive, and in many respects is just as popular to-day as it was when the "Barrack Room Ballads" first caught the imagination of the reading public. Kipling may not be among the deathless poets of our race; but his verse has a quality which ensures that it will be read and loved so long as England continues to breed men with red blood in their veins. He has written some poor stuff; what poet has written none? He is neither a mystic nor a *poseur*, although it might be argued that his patriotic passion amounts almost to a kind of mysticism; but he has depicted the character of the British soldier with all the fidelity of a Hogarth, and his Tommy Atkins is a type that will live for all time. Apart altogether from his poetry, by which he is most widely known, and by which, curiously enough, he has been ranked among the foremost English poets by continental—particularly by French—critics. Kipling's short stories are among the finest in the language. They are told by a master of his craft, who writes of what he knows, and whose work never loses that "common touch" which is one of the attributes of genius. If he is a "jingo," who cares? In these days when it has become fashionable to pay homage to every country save one's own, there is something refreshing in the attitude of a Kipling who is neither afraid nor ashamed to be a patriot. He is the poet *par excellence* of the British Empire; and his work will outlive the precious twitterings of most of his critics.

The Lindbergh Affair

It is now common knowledge that Colonel Charles Lindbergh, his wife and their three-year-old son are on their way to England, the sole passengers on an American liner. For long months they have withstood the threats of professional killers of proven brutality; armed detectives have lived with them day and night; and the whole shocking situation, its horrors even magnified, has been given a predominant and permanent place in certain types of American newspaper. Colonel Lindbergh is a brave man; but two events of the last few weeks have decided him to seek refuge in flight. The Governor of New Jersey, in the first place, made a statement pointing so clearly to his doubt in the guilt of Bruno Hauptmann that an immediate agitation was begun for a new trial. Secondly, the Lindbergh child and his nurse, while driving in a motor car, were set upon by a number of men, who eventually showed themselves to be newspaper photographers. They forced the Lindbergh car to the kerb, and thrust cameras and flashlights into the face of the terrified child. The photographs subsequently appeared in the American Press. Faced with the misery of fresh publicity, should the new trial materialise, and perceiving that newspapers now were using the methods of the gangster to provide sensation for their readers, Colonel Lindbergh decided to leave the country. We believe that his decision may have a profound effect upon the wealthy classes in America. For years they have lived in terror of the gunman, guarded sleeping and waking. They have paid huge sums in tribute to the underworld, and always they have pictured their wives, their sons and their daughters in the hands of the kidnappers. Colonel Lindbergh's action may decide them to make a similar break, however difficult it may be, with their native land, and live in a foreign country until their Government has made life possible for them at home. Quite clearly in this Lindbergh case lawlessness has reached a terrifying pitch; and, in spite of the new Investigation Bureau, the underworld is as powerful as ever.

POSSIBLE SEATS FOR MACDONALDS

Mr. Ramsay Macdonald is very hopeful of success in his candidature for the Scottish Universities. In an interview with a reporter on Saturday he said:—"I feel fit for anything. I am very happy to have this opportunity of association with the Scottish Universities. In the coming election I feel that I shall get support from members of all parties who decline to regard the election as a purely party contest. I am, indeed, optimistic as to the result."

The emergency committee of the Ross and Cromarty Liberal Association on Saturday decided to invite Mr. Malcolm Macdonald (Secretary of State for Dominions Affairs) to meet the association's executive committee to-morrow afternoon. The president and other members of the association visited Mr. Malcolm Macdonald on Thursday last with a view to his possible candidature in the by-election caused by the resignation of the Liberal member, Sir Ian Macpherson.

The name of Sheriff Trotter, who formerly was sheriff-substitute of Caithness, Orkney and Shetland at Wick, has been sent by friends in Edinburgh to the Ross-shire Liberal Association at Dingwall for consideration as a Liberal candidate in the forthcoming by-election. The name will be considered by the association to-morrow.

Mr. Thomas Trotter, who is aged 67, was called to the Scottish Bar in 1893. He is an honorary sheriff-substitute of Inverness, Elgin and Nairn.

SIR HERBERT SAMUEL'S DENIAL

Sir Herbert Samuel has denied a report that he may stand as Independent Liberal for Ross and Cromarty. "There is no truth whatever in the report that I am going to stand," he said. "It is a sheer invention, and it is rather disgraceful that it should be put forward without any foundation. I have not been approached at all."

THE KING AND QUEEN AT CHURCH

Several thousands of motorists assembled in the Park at Sandringham, Norfolk, yesterday, to see members of the Royal Family attend Morning Service at the village church.

The Queen, accompanied by the Prince of Wales, motored to church, leaving Sandringham a few minutes after the King and other members of the Royal Family, who walked. With the King were the Duke and Duchess of Kent and Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret. The Princesses, walking hand in hand, attracted considerable attention from the crowd.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

Dublin District Court—11 a.m.
Royal Dublin Society Lectures—4 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Children's Ceilidhe — Gresham Hotel, 3.30 p.m.
Shelbourne Hotel Staff Dance—Shelbourne, 10 p.m.

AMUSEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Cinderella"
Theatre Royal—"Peter Pan," 2.30 p.m.; Cine-Variety, 6 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"Jack and the Beanstalk."
Queen's Theatre — "Aladdin" and "The Little Colonel."
Abbey Theatre—"The Critic."
Torch Theatre—"Ireland's Own."
Metropole Cinema—"One More Spring."
Grand Central Cinema — "Mills of the Gods."
Grafton Cinema—"Heart's Desire."
Sackville Cinema — "Forgotten Men" and "The Great Defender."
Theatre de Luxe—"Kid Millions."
Corinthian Cinema—"The Bride of Frankenstein."
Stephen's Green Cinema—"Two for To-Night" and "The Plot Thickens."
Capitol Cinema—"The Informer."
Savoy Cinema—"Babes in Toyland."
Pavilion Cinema, Dun Laoghaire—"Student Tour" and "Irish Melodies."

COURT AND PERSONAL

Though not officially announced, it is understood that the King and Queen and the Court will not leave Sandringham for Buckingham Palace before the second week in February. Their Majesties probably will spend a fortnight in London, and will go then to Eastbourne for at least a month's stay at Compton place.

Their Majesties' house party will remain at Sandringham for New Year's Day, and, it is expected, will be joined by the Duke and the Duchess of York if the latter's recovery from her recent attack of influenza permits of her travelling. Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret have enjoyed their stay at Sandringham greatly, and have taken a prominent part in the various entertainments for children and employés on the estate.

The Princess Royal and the Earl of Harewood and their sons spent Christmas at Harewood House, Leeds, where they took an interest in various charitable entertainments, especially those organised for children.

The Duke of Connaught spent Christmas at the Imperial Hotel, Bath, where he was joined by Prince and Princess Arthur of Connaught and their son, the Earl of Macduff. They have now left, and have returned to their residence in Belgrave square. It is hoped that they will attend the annual dinner and dance of the Legion of St. Patrick, which will be held to-morrow night.

The Duke and Duchess of Devonshire have a very large family party at Chatsworth, where their guests include their twenty-one grand-children. The Duke and Duchess of Rutland have a large family gathering at Belvoir Castle, where their eldest daughter, Lady Ursula Manners, had a narrow escape from drowning on Saturday, when her horse slipped as she was crossing a stream near Melton Mowbray, and she was flung into eight feet of water. Fortunately, she was able to struggle out, and has suffered no ill results. Lord Conyers, Sir Arthur Curtis, Captain Rollo, and Miss Y. Paynter all met with accidents at the same spot, but escaped any injury.

The Earl of Strathmore and Kinghorne, who has been laid up with a severe cold at Glamis Castle, has now recovered, and has joined the Countess of Strathmore in London. The Duke of Argyll and Lady Elizabeth Campbell have returned to Inverary Castle, where they will entertain a succession of house parties next month. Lady Lister Kaye has left for an extensive tour in America, and will visit New York, Washington and Palm Beach.

The British Ambassador in Belgium, Sir Esmond Ovey, and Lady Ovey embarked on the s.s. Almeda Star at Boulogne on Saturday for Lisbon, *en route* for Mont Estoril. Sir Daniel Cooper left on Saturday in the s.s. Viceroy of India for the East Indies, and will not return till March.

Ishbel Lady Aberdeen, who was to have gone to India next month to preside over a conference in Calcutta, has been advised by her doctor not to leave her home at Camphill, Aberdeenshire, and Lady Pentland will go to India in her place, to carry out her mother's engagements.

Doctor R. Davitt will be out of town till January 8th.

Dr. Oliver St. J. Gogarty has returned to 15 Ely place.

Mr. A. W. Mooney has removed from 9 Parnell square to 26 Upper Fitzwilliam street.

Switzers Ladies' Hairdressing Salons offer a service that is second to none. "Eugene" and "Macdonald" Permanent Waving and all the latest coiffures at standard charges.

Holmes', George's street — "Chilprufe" Ladies', Children's, and Men's Underwear. Postcard brings Illustrated Catalogue free.

To-day (Monday), 30th inst., Miss Doran, 51c Dawson street, will have her Genuine Reduction Sale of all Model Coats, Day and Evening Frocks, Millinery, Jumpers, etc. Fur Coats and Ties at unprecedented prices. She wishes her patrons to avail of this opportunity early.

Margaret Watson, 17A Dawson street—Sale to-day. Unique bargains of exclusive Evening and Day Dresses, Suits, Coats, etc.

"Isobel," 4 Dawson street, Dublin (Nassau street end), is opening to-day with a Sale of American Gowns, Lingerie, etc.

Chancellor, 7 Grafton st.—Wedding Groups and Commercial Photography our speciality.

Cocktail Parties—Mitchell's Cocktail, 9s. per bottle. Ready Made Up.—21 Kildare street. 'Phone 62377.

Power and Slattery are commencing their Winter Sale—to-day—Everything greatly reduced.—17 Dawson street.

Sale, Sale, Sale—Slyne's slashing reductions.—Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS BY ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Among the arrivals were:—Mr. J. J. Irwin, Mr. W. L. Byron, Captain C. M. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Hogan, Mr. F. E. Cole, Mr. R. Lewis, Mrs. Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. J. Badminton Mather, Captain S. B. Holmes, Miss A. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Eyre, Mr. F. S. Magan, Miss A. McKeon, Mr. and Mrs. G. Dobbin, Mrs. A. Gordon, Mr. R. Dudgeon, Miss K. Dudgeon, Major J. Hume Dudgeon, Miss A. Kewley, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Commins, Miss S. de Penzy, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. de Penzy, Miss J. Cunningham, Mr. C. F. Myers-cough, Mr. J. Reagan, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Grimton, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Maguire, Miss O'Kelly, Dr. Freeman, Mr. and Mrs. Barron, Mr. Clow, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Irwin, Mr. Irwin, Miss Irwin, Mrs. Floyd, Miss Harris, Mr. and Mrs McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. J. McNeil, Miss Barring, Miss Murphy, Mr. C. W. Meredith, Mr. G. M. Keene, Mr. Broderick, Mr. Eason, Captain and Mrs. C. Doig, Miss L. Doig, Miss K. Doig, Miss M. McDowell, Miss T. D. Myles, Miss J. Atkins, Mr. and Mrs. J. McNab, Mr. E. R. Cromer, Mr. R. Byrne, Mr. C. M Todd, Mr. T. N. Humphreys, Mr. Carson, Mr. Barling, Mr. A. H. Llog, Mr. T. R. Jackson, Mr. L. W. Willis, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Irwin, Mr. N. R. Irwin, Mr. G. W. Kennedy, Mr. L. V. Montgomery, Mr. G. A. Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. Tyler, Mr. Whitehouse, Rev. — Sutherland, Mrs. Hornsgold, Miss O'Reilly.

Among the departures were:—Mr. T. Cleary, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Cleary, Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Clayton, Mr. H. J. Cohn, Mr. and Mrs. G. Dobbins, Mrs. A. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Holmes, Major and Mrs. G. Bunskill, Mrs. Lynch, Miss N. Lynch, Mr. W. R. Johnstone, Miss L. Green, Mr. B. C. Hackett, Mr. D. Blayne, Mr. K. E. Lynam, Mrs. Rait Kerr, Miss Morrison, Mr. and Mrs. W. Mackilyn, Mrs. E. Callaghan, Miss K. Butler, Miss K. M. Smith, Mr. H. S. Pringle, Mr. R. R. Brown, Miss F. Barrington, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Frost, R. G. Lennol, Miss M. J. Roche, Miss K. Butler, Mrs. T. F. Barratt, Mr. J. O'Shea, Mr. M. Flynn, Mr. J. F. Quinn, Dr. T. F. O'Connor, Mr. C. Cully, Mr. and Mrs. J. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Cassidy, Master J. Morris, Master J. Cassidy, Mr. J. McQuillan, Mr. C. Effel, Mr. R. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. Scannell, Miss M. Byrne, Miss S. Byrne, Mr. and Mrs. L. O'Neill, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sheehan, Mr. and Mrs. O'Connor-Coffey, Miss V. Image, Mr. K. R. L. Brunskill, Mr. J. Dillon, Miss B. Tweedy, Mr. F. B. H. Hayward, Miss E. Hayward, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Renlston, Miss N. Watt, Miss A. Earle, Mr. J. M. O'Sullivan, Mr. G. Clarke, Mr. F. Dillon McNally, Mr. R. H. Holmes, Mr. K. M. Aise.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL

Among the arrivals were:—Mr. G. C. Westmacott, Mr. N. Harrison, Mr. D. W. O'Toole, Mr. N. Meyers, Mr. J. McElnea, Mr. C. Morris, Mr. B. Connolly, Colonel C. M. Gibbon, Mr. F. C. Fisher, Mr. J. P. Hynes, Mr. J. Gillinson, Mr. C. N. Reid, Mr. Brady, Mr. J. H. Cox, Mrs. Marlow, Mr. R. L. Williams, Mr. E. Watkinson, Mr S. Gain, the Rev. Mr. Harper, Miss Mulvaney, Mrs. Halliday, Mr. Foster-Harter, Major R. P. Waller, Miss Fraser, Miss Montgomery, Miss Onions, Miss O'Connor, Mrs. G. Brown, Miss S. Magan, Lieut.-Col. and Mrs. C. M. Finney, Mr. Drysdale, Mr. W. Johnston, Miss Killingley, Miss W. O'Reilly, Mr. and Mrs. J. O'Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart, Mr. E. J. Higginson, Mr. and Mrs. Mercer, Mr. E. Dawson.

Among the departures were:—Lord Forrester, Mr. and Mrs. A. Nolan, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Jackson, Mr. R. S. Tighe, Dr. W. J. Kerrigan, Major Tyndall, Dr. D. B. Bradshaw, Mr. E. L. O'Flanagan, Mr. W. D. Mackenzie, Dr. O'Brien, Major P. Craig Waller, Miss Riley, Dr. Harty, Miss Mason, Mr. C. T. Munro, M.. S. R. Irwin, Mr. W. E. A. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Emslie, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Compton, Mr. E. W. Roy, Mr. G. Wilson, Miss G. Henson, Miss A. Dallas,

LAVAL MAJORITY OF TWENTY

CHAMBER SWAYED BY FIGHTING SPEECH

FRENCH FIDELITY TO LEAGUE PROCLAIMED

SUPPORT FOR BRITAIN IF ATTACKED BY ITALY

THERE is to be no fresh parliamentary crisis in France. M. Laval will continue as Prime Minister and Foreign Minister. In the Chamber on Saturday he fought back in the debate upon the ill-fated Anglo-French peace plan, and made a statesmanlike speech, which must have brought a number of waverers into the lobby on his side.

His speech has been well received in Rome and Berlin, while, apart from the newspapers of the Left, the French Press has noted his victory with satisfaction.

The actual figures on the motion of "no confidence" were:—

For the Government	296
Against	276
Government majority	20

The subsequent motion of confidence was carried by 304 votes to 261—a majority this time of 43.

M. Laval, in his speech, revealed that Britain and France had set aside the question of military sanctions, naval blockade and the closing of the Suez Canal in dealing with the Italo-Abyssinian dispute. He spoke, however, of conversations between the French and British military and naval staffs.

He promised to consult the Chamber about oil sanctions when the time came to do so.

PREMIER'S PERSONAL TRIUMPH

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Saturday.

A few hours after many people had tipped him for certain defeat, the Chamber decided by a majority of twenty in M. Laval's favour on a motion of "No confidence" in the Government, and later gave the Government a majority of forty-three on a vote of confidence.

"Rebels" among the Premier's supporters had threatened to turn him out by attacking his conduct of the Abyssinian peace talks. Their fear of taking office four months before the French general elections helped to save the Premier.

The real turning point in the debate was M. Laval's own defence of his endeavours to stop the war and a striking declaration of loyalty to Britain and the League. Speaking when all his critics had finished, the Premier said:—

"The security of my country is based on the League. Before hostilities began in earnest I tried, with full respect for the Covenant, to prevent war.

"We—France and Britain—set aside military sanctions and naval blockade, as well as the closing of the Suez Canal. We set aside all which might lead to war. There has never been the slightest disagreement between me and my British colleagues."

MUTUAL SUPPORT

Referring to the understanding between France and Britain regarding mutual support in case of an attack by Italy, M. Laval said:—

"On October 18th, a political agreement having been reached, the two Admiralties of Paris a[illegible]don began conversations, which were extended on the 9th and 10th to the military and air staffs.

"It is painful to me to make these revelations. I was frank enough to keep Italy informed of these conversations."

M. Laval then revealed that on the date war broke out he sent a message to the French Ambassador in Rome instructing him to tell Mussolini what attitude France would take up.

"France," added the Premier, "never acquiesced in the war. There was nothing in the agreement with Mussolini that could be interpreted by Italy as an encouragement to war."

Overnight things had looked black for M. Laval. Most observers thought he might just pull through, but the deadly attack by M. Paul Reynaud, a "rebel" Conservative, was thought to have made his chances slim.

This morning, while the second day of the debate was getting under way, M. Laval made an early appearance at the Chamber and got busy in the lobbies. His mastery of political tactics—unrivalled since the late M. Briand—was displayed to the full as he tested the weight of the opposition to him.

The Premier looked tired. For many hours during the night he had been working on the final speech, which was to pull the waverers to his side. After a short adjournment the texts of the motions on which voting would take place were published. They were:—

NO CONFIDENCE: "The Chamber regrets that the Government has not given the world a clearer impression of fidelity to the policy pursued consistently by France since 1919."

CONFIDENCE: "The Chamber, true to France's traditional policy and approving the Government's declarations, places confidence in the Government to assure peace, while respecting the Covenant of the League."

IMPATIENCE

Throughout the morning and early afternoon the Chamber listened impatiently to minor speakers. Pierre Cot, a Radical and one of the Premier's bitterest foes, was down to speak, but withdrew. His action was taken as emphasising the reluctance of the Radicals to turn against M. Laval.

Deputies slammed their desks in desperation while waiting for the Premier's turn to speak. The atmosphere was electric with excitement. One speaker could not be heard owing to the din, and the President suspended the sitting for twenty minutes.

Then two more speakers were heard briefly, and M. Laval mounted the rostrum. He spoke for just over an hour. From time to time he was interrupted by cheers from the Right, but generally the speech was heard with grave attention.

When M. Laval sat down there was a burst of applause. After a short adjournment the vote was taken.

BERLIN TRIBUTES

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Sunday.

Markedly friendly comments are made here to-day on M. Laval's foreign policy speech in the Chamber yesterday. One high official said to Reuter: "It was a statesmanlike speech," and this opinion finds an echo in the Press.

Most optimistic is the *Hamburger Fremdenblatt*, whose Paris Correspondent says: "Never before has the head of a French Government spoken in the French Chamber in such an open and understanding way of the Franco-German problem."

The official Nazi organ, the *Volkischer Beobachter*, says that the present situation demands more constructive steps than merely blaming Germany for Europe's rearmament, and adds: "It should be noted with appreciation that M. Laval set his face against any such recriminations."

RELIEF IN ROME

NO DEVELOPMENT BEFORE JANUARY 20

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ROME, Sunday.

M. Laval's victory in the French Chamber yesterday has caused great relief here. The Press had begun to talk about a "Parliamentary crisis" in France.

However, M. Laval's speech "by its completeness and sincerity immediately raised the chances of the Ministry, which had been compromised earlier in the sitting," declares the *Tribune*.

The suggestion that Britain has exerted pressure on France runs through much of the comment. M. Laval's declaration, that even before October Britain had asked the French Government for a definite technical agreement between the naval staffs of the two countries, is taken as an example of this.

It is recognised that strong forces were ranged against M. Laval. "M. Reynaud, freshly returned from London, spoke more like a Minister of His Britannic Majesty's Government than like a statesman concerned with the interests of France," writes the Paris Correspondent of the *Lavoro Fascista*. He intimated to France that she must choose between British and Italian friendship. He thus proved what the British have always wished to deny, that the conflict is between London and Rome.

M. HERRIOT?

"Despite the Government's victory the enigma of M. Herriot remains. Will he stay in the Ministry? That is the great question of the immediate future."

The departure for London yesterday on his long overdue leave of Sir Eric Drummond, the British Ambassador, confirms the general expectations that there will be no developments on the political side of the war situation till the League Council meets on January 20th. Sir Eric will return on January 19th.

In view of the general belief here that an oil embargo is out of the question, the situation is less tense than it has been for some days, and Italy is now adopting the *rôle* of a spectator in Paris and London.

"LANGUAGE OF STATESMAN"

INJUSTICE OF ATTACKS ON PREMIER

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Sunday.

M. Laval's victory in the Chamber yesterday is hailed with satisfaction and relief by the newspapers on the Centre and Right parties, which emphasise that the Government's success was due above all to M. Laval's own speech.

The newspapers of the Left, on the other hand, are reticent in their remarks, and are unwilling to regard the victory as assured. They point out, however, that M. Laval has proclaimed his fidelity to the League of Nations in accordance with the claims of the Left.

Le Journal says: "M. Laval spoke the language of a great statesman. Spurred on by imperious necessity he revealed certain things which he had been jealously keeping a secret, and these were sufficient to remove from the mind of more than one opponent the doubts regarding his attitude which his excess of discretion had aroused."

The *Echo de Paris* declares that the "result, which we had hardly dared to hope for after the dramatic events of Friday, is largely due to the courageous and weighty speech of M. Laval, who clearly showed up the crying injustice of the attacks to which he had been subjected for many months. The Left Wing was obliged to bend in spite of itself before

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WAR IN EARNEST THIS WEEK

ABYSSINIANS TO ATTACK

ARMIES CONVERGE ON MAKALE

ITALIAN 'PLANES BROUGHT DOWN

PRESS ASSOCIATION WAR SPECIAL.

ADDIS ABABA, Sunday.

TO-DAY'S festival of the Archangel Gabriel marks the end of the special fast of Ethiopian Christians, and the much heralded Abyssinian counter-offensive against the Italian armies was, consequently, expected to open this morning.

Intense activity is reported to reign at the various Abyssinian headquarters on the northern front. Preparations for the Emperor's departure from Dessie, *en route* for the north, are being hurried on.

It is unofficially stated that dozens of Italian aircraft are carrying out reconnaissance flights throughout the Tembien region.

TRUSTED CHIEFS

Following the fierce fighting which has been going on in the Makale region during the last few days, plans have been launched for a yet fiercer attack, taking the shape of a vast encircling movement. In this movement three armies are converging on the town from a wide radius.

The operations have been entrusted to three of the Emperor's most trusted chiefs. Dedjasmatch Kassa Sebhat is leading the army from the north, Ras Kassa that from the south, and Ras Seyoum that from the west.

This movement follows on yesterday's reports of a big Abyssinian success to the north-west of Makale, where the Abyssinians claim to have captured Abbi Abi, capital of the Tembien district, in a surprise attack.

PILOTS ESCAPE WHEN 'PLANES LAND

ROME, Saturday.

Two Italian war 'planes were forced down on Christmas Day in the Takkaze sector while spraying Abyssinian columns with machine-gun fire, it is officially announced here. The machines were destroyed, but the pilots escaped in safety.

It appears that one of the 'planes, piloted by Warrant Officer Allavena, was hit in the petrol tank by rifle fire and was forced to land.

Another Italian airman, Warrant Officer Vaschi, who went to the aid of his colleague, damaged his machine in landing, and neither 'plane could take off again.

When the airmen's plight was reported a detachment of Spahis (native cavalry) was sent out, and brought the two pilots into the Italian lines.

Warrant Officer Vaschi has been awarded the silver medal for military valour.

BIG ARMY IN KHAKI

WITH NASIBU ON THE SOUTHERN FRONT

FROM WALTER COLLINS, PRESS ASSOCIATION SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

I have just spent a week among the troops of Dedjasmatch Nasibu, "The Lucky," the Commander-in-Chief of the Abyssinian forces on the southern front.

With Wehib Pasha, his Turkish Chief of Staff, Nasibu has his headquarters at Jijija, a little village in the middle of a dusty windswept plain. His G.H.Q. is the local palace, a rickety two-storeyed building, badly in need of repair.

The exact strength of Nasibu's forces is a well-kept secret, but it appears that the total numbers do not exceed 75,000. Khaki uniforms have now been issued to most of the soldiers, who, when they first arrived from the outlying centres, were almost all clothed in white. This made them too conspicuous a mark for air raiders, and the Emperor personally gave orders that the traditional white should be replaced by khaki.

SIMPLE MEAL

At one of the camps I visited the men were having their daily meal, the simplest possible diet, consisting of a quarter of a pound of cooked corn apiece, washed down with salty water. Yet the men looked fit and healthy.

A dozen soldiers from Chercher allowed me to examine their arms and ammunition. Eight of them had Mausers of fairly recent date. Three had new British rifles, and one old man had a gun which would probably explode if it were ever fired. Some had new equipment, but of poor quality.

The non-commissioned officer in charge had his cartridge belt full of new Belgian rifle ammunition, but the average number of rounds per man appeared not to exceed forty. There were probably some reserve dumps in the vicinity, however.

The main body of Abyssinians, as far as I could gather, is concentrated between Daggah Bur and Sasah Beneh, astride the River Fafan.

ITALIAN LOSSES

By dint of frequent air bombardments the Italians some weeks ago forced the Ethiopians out of Gorahai, and their advance guards pushed up towards Sasah Beneh. After the subsequent fighting at Anale, where the Abyssinians captured four tanks and inflicted serious losses on the Italian Somali troops, the Italian forces retreated, and are now believed to be holding a line which closely approximates to that which they held at the beginning of hostilities.

Both the Italians and the Abyssinians claim to be in possession of Gerlogubi, Gorahai and Wal Wal, but it is probable that all these places are in a vast No Man's Land about eighty miles in depth. Wal Wal, however, may still be held by Italian outposts.

Apart from Gorahai and Anale, there has been no serious fighting in the south up to date. The Italian tactics have chiefly consisted of aerial bombardment.

NOT DEMORALISED

At first the moral effects of this were considerable, as the majority of Abyssinians had never seen an aeroplane in their lives, and there was consternation, and sometimes panic, when the 'planes roared over, and explosive and incendiary bombs came hurtling down.

At one time it appeared that these aerial tactics would succeed, and that Nasibu's men would become demoralised. In the Webbe Shibeli district, however, the Italian airmen became very daring, and skimmed along only a few hundred feet from the ground. Two of their machines were brought down in one day by Abyssinian rifle fire, and since then the Italians have never come down below three thousand feet, at which height they are safe from rifle fire. In consequence, they have usually failed to hit the targets aimed at.

Moreover, the Abyssinians have gradually learnt how to take cover, and have dug small trenches and shelters to shield themselves.

Nasibu declared himself quietly confident about the result of the war, so far as

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BELFAST ARMS RAID

CONDITION OF POLICEMAN

ACCUSED MAN REFUSES TO RECOGNISE COURT

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Sunday.

CONSTABLE IAN HAY, the policeman who was wounded in the armed encounter at Campbell College gate lodge last Friday night, is still in a serious, although not critical, condition in the Royal Victoria Hospital, Belfast. He was wounded in the right leg, back and chest, and another operation took place yesterday, when the third bullet was extracted from the region of the chest.

Last night the police carried out a number of raids in the hope of discovering some men whom they believe were implicated in the affair. It is now clear that two parties of armed men were engaged in the raid, and that the object was to secure about 150 rifles, with ammunition, believed to be in the armoury of the college. These rifles, however, were removed a few days before the Christmas vacation of the college to the Victoria Barracks, Belfast.

One of the parties raided the gate lodge with the object, apparently, of disconnecting the telephone, and the other was posted in the vicinity of the main gate to the college.

The man arrested made a brief appearance in the Belfast Police Court yesterday. He is Edward McCartney, Oranmore street, Belfast. He was described as a bread-server. He was charged on two counts with having a revolver and ammunition in his possession with intent to endanger life, and with having an explosive substance "under such circumstances as to give rise to a reasonable suspicion that he did not have it for a lawful object."

REMANDED

The accused man, who declared that he refused to recognise the Court, was remanded after formal evidence until Friday.

Sergeant John Connolly, Strandtown, said that he was on duty last Friday night at Hawthornden road, and heard the sound of shooting from the direction of the Campbell College gate lodge. He and other police rushed to the lodge, and, in consequence of what they heard, they ran on towards Belmont road. He saw a number of men, about seven in all, close to the main gate of Campbell College. The accused man was one of them. On seeing the police they made off, two of them towards the city and others in the direction of Belmont.

The accused man—That's all a lot of lies. There were only three of us. What are you sitting there telling lies for?

District-Inspector Geelan (to witness)—What did you do then?

THE SHOOTING

Witness—I called on them to halt. They opened fire on us. We returned the fire and, pursuing them, caught the prisoner. I held him up by pointing my revolver at him, and I told the two constables who were with me to close in on either side of him and grab him. He put up his hands.

Witness added that he did not see any weapon in the prisoner's hands. He told the constables to search him, and they found in a pocket a fully-loaded six-chambered revolver, a Smith and Wesson. They also found six rounds of ammunition of the same calibre.

Witness said that he subsequently took the prisoner back to the gate lodge and then to the police office. At the gate lodge he saw Constable Hay lying wounded. He charged the prisoner that morning, but he made no reply.

The Clerk (to the prisoner)—Any questions?

The Prisoner—I refuse to recognise the Court, but wish to reserve questions.

The prisoner was then remanded by Mr. O'Donoghue, R.M., until next Friday.

The accused man, clicking his heels abruptly, did "about turn," and marched from the dock between a couple of policemen.

POLICE SEARCH

The Belfast police have detained another man in connection with the raid.

The police are searching for eight young men who they believe were associated with the raid, and the Belfast Commissioner of Police has issued the following statement:—

"A party of about eight young men are believed to have travelled from High street, Belfast, to Hawthornden road on a Belmont tram leaving the city centre at 8.10 p.m. on December 27.

"Will any person who observed such men communicate with the Commissioner of Police or with any police station?"

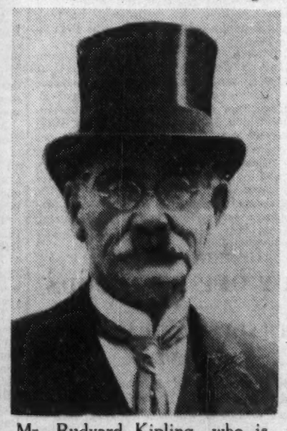
KIPLING SEVENTY TO-DAY

SPECIAL U.S. RADIO PROGRAMMES

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Sunday.

To-morrow the seventieth birthday of a British author (Mr. Rudyard Kipling) is to be celebrated throughout the United States. Special nation-wide broadcast programmes have been arranged to bring the celebrations into the homes of millions of Americans, while in the little New England



Mr. Rudyard Kipling, who is seventy years of age to-day.

town of Brattleboro', Vermont, to-morrow will be a day of rejoicing. It was there that Mr. Kipling and his wife lived for a few years after their marriage in 1892.

Strenuous efforts were made to induce Mr. Kipling himself to broadcast in his "birthday programme," but he declined. Mr. Kipling is a steady favourite with the American reading public, and his publishers state that sales of his works reach 100,000 each year with unfailing regularity.

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his front was concerned. Speaking in French with a cultured accent, he said to me: "Time is on our side, and the fact that our adversaries have not accomplished anything during the first two months of the war is very significant."

RAILWAY PEACE AGREEMENT

GREAT SOUTHERN COMPANY

RESTORATION OF PART OF "CUT"

SETTLEMENT TO COVER YEAR 1936

IT was announced by the Dublin office of the National Union of Railwaymen on Saturday that an agreement had been signed between the Great Southern Railway Company, the National Union of Railwaymen, the Railway Clerks' Association, and the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen covering wages and conditions for the year 1936.

The agreement provides for the restoration of 2½ per cent. of the existing "cut" of 7½ per cent. in basic wages to the staff as from January 1st.

The three unions claimed the restoration of the full cut, but at a conference some weeks ago both sides agreed to report back to their principals upon a proposal for the restoration of 2½ per cent.

During this conference the company's representatives made the suggestion that the restoration should be spread over the next twelve months. The proposal was that there should be a restoration of 1¼ per cent. in June and an additional 1¼ per cent. in September. The unions refused to consider this suggestion, and eventually the proposal which has now been accepted by the three unions was made.

This proposal has not found general favour with the rank and file in the unions. At the delegate conference of the Railway Clerks' Association last week a majority of the delegates from the branches affected by the agreement decided that negotiations between the parties should continue, and that if necessary the question should be referred to the Irish Railway Wages Board for consideration.

LONDON CONFERENCE

Some days earlier the Executive Committees of the three railway unions, in joint conference in London, decided to recommend the terms for acceptance by their Irish branches.

When this joint conference was held the Executive Committee of the National Union of Railwaymen were in possession of the decision of the majority of their Irish branches. These decisions were, in the main, in favour of the acceptance of the proposal for a 2½ per cent. restoration at present, and for a full restoration as soon as the accounts of the company showed that such a demand could be met.

It is understood that the National Union of Railwaymen branches which expressed this view spoke for a majority of the persons interested in the demand.

Dublin officials of the organisation declared yesterday that if the statement that a majority of the branches favoured the settlement was correct, it would be found upon examination that the branches which had voted in this way were provincial branches, and that the urban railway workers generally were opposed to any settlement which was not agreed to by the rank and file.

The union officials concerned said that they had recently demanded that a general delegate conference should be held to decide the issue before any agreement was signed.

They point out that the cost of living is higher in the cities than in the provincial areas, and that increases of one shilling per week are of little value to railway workers at present. They suggest that even the full increases demanded by the workers would be inadequate to meet the rising charges of the last few years, and propose that railway wages should be revised so as to compare favourably with other grades of transport workers.

A National Union of Railwaymen branch secretary stated that there is a proposal on foot for a mass meeting of Dublin transport workers early in the new year. This meeting would be open not only to employés of the railway companies, but to those of the Dublin United Tramways Company, and a rank and file movement would be established with a view to protecting the interests of these workers, and establishing uniform improved conditions throughout the transport service.

OTHER WAGE QUESTIONS

In the meantime the unions concerned propose to deal with several other wages questions.

To-morrow a meeting will take place in Belfast between the National Union of Railwaymen, the Amalgamated Transport and General Workers' Union and the Road Transport Board in the six counties, with a view to establishing an agreement covering wages and conditions for the concerns taken over by the board since it commenced to function.

On Thursday of this week the Dublin Trades Union Council representatives will meet representatives of the Great Southern Railways Company on the question of the restoration of the ten per cent. wage deduction to railway shopmen in the area. This meeting will be held under the auspices of the Department of Industry and Commerce.

It is anticipated that any agreement made for the Dublin area will apply automatically to the whole system.

'CROSS-BORDER LINES

There is no agreement between the bodies concerned as to when the question of wages on the Northern and cross-border railway systems should be re-opened. The existing agreement has been maintained by both sides since March of this year. Under its terms the workers suffer a cut of 10 per cent. on basic wage rates.

With the coming into operation of the new Great Southern Railways agreement there will be a difference of 5 per cent. in the wages of the Great Southern and Great Northern staffs. The Great Northern workers have demanded the restoration of the existing 10 per cent. cut in full.

HUSBAND CHARGED WITH MURDER

BALLINASLOE WOMAN'S DEATH

Hearing screams for help at midnight on Friday, neighbours in St. Brendan's terrace, Ballinasloe, went to the house of Thomas Curley (29), and found his wife, Josephine (24), dying.

Later Civic Guards arrested the husband, Thomas Curley. He was brought before a Special Court, charged with murder, and remanded in custody.

Superintendent Dunphy, Ballinasloe, stated in evidence that when he visited the scene at 1 a.m. he found the body of Mrs. Curley there with a deep, gaping wound in her neck and the accused man sitting by the fire crying.

When charged, arrested and cautioned, the accused man made statements which witness did not put in at that stage.

Mrs. Curley was the mother of three children, one of whom is only a few weeks old.

Patrick Farrell (26), of 66 Aungier street, Dublin, fell from the steps of his home yesterday evening, and sustained a fractured leg and a wound in the scalp. He was detained in Mercer's Hospital, where he was taken by the Corporation ambulance.

A LINDBERGH MYSTERY

VESSEL NOT TO CALL AT COVE

DUE AT LIVERPOOL TO-MORROW

MR. THOMAS BELL, agent for the American Importer, the freighter on which Colonel Lindbergh and his family are believed to be travelling, told a reporter last night that he had been officially informed that the vessel was going to Liverpool direct in the usual way, and was expected to arrive on Tuesday.

There was no truth in the suggestion that Colonel Lindbergh might land somewhere in Ireland.

It was thought yesterday in Cove that the American Importer would call there last night on its way to Liverpool.

EXCITEMENT AT COVE

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

COVE, Sunday Night.

Cove to-day has been a place of mysterious happenings; for although it has been officially stated that the United States liner, American Importer, is not scheduled to call here on her voyage to England this week, virtually all the hotels have been full of people waiting for the vessel to put into harbour.

Most of those who are waiting are American, English and European journalists, all anxious to interview Colonel Charles Augustus Lindbergh, who, with his wife and small son, secretly left New York for England on Monday last.

"NOT ON BOARD"

It is stated that the Lindberghs' decision to leave the United States has been made because of a new gangster menace directed at the life of their second child. The trio are commonly supposed to be on board the American Importer, though wireless telegrams sent to Colonel Lindbergh, care of that vessel, when she was halfway across the Atlantic, have all been returned, marked: "Not on board."

In addition to the journalists who have been waiting in Cove all day, there are "movie cameramen," at least one photographer with an aeroplane in the background ready to rush pictures to London, and a crowd of curious people, many of them from Cork City and neighbouring districts.

THE WAITING TUG

Late this evening the Customs officials at Cove had no intimation that the vessel would call; but in the meantime some little excitement was caused when it was seen that one of the harbour tugs, the Morsecock, had been specially chartered and brought to the landing wharf by a hurriedly recruited crew. The tug lay alongside all the evening with steam up and lights blazing, but did not go out.

It is understood that she had been commissioned by one of the big American news agencies. The arrival at Cove earlier in the evening of Mr. Leslie Woods, United States Consul, from Cork also lent credence to the rumour that the American Importer was making for the harbour. Mr. Woods explained to me, however, that, while he would be on board the tug when, and if, she went out, he would be there in a personal rather than an official capacity.

THE WEATHER AT SEA

According to the latest information available, the American Importer is not due to dock at Gladstone Dock, Liverpool, until the small hours of Tuesday morning. It is possible, however, that, in spite of bad weather conditions, she may make that port—or another one—earlier. Heavy seas, with much rain and a strong south-westerly wind, are at present being experienced off the southern Irish coasts.

FROM "THE TIMES"

(BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT)

M. LAVAL'S VICTORY

The Times observes in a leading article to-day: Once again M. Laval has won a remarkable victory in the French Chamber, though this time by a narrower margin than in any of the other crises which have threatened his Ministry. His speech in reply to his critics on Saturday, the second day of the debate, was a great achievement, undoubtedly turning in his favour the tide of opinion which had been running heavily against him. There were several other notable speeches in the course of a very frank debate. On the whole, the result should be to improve the outlook for co-operation by the two countries in the maintenance of peace by collective security.

Those parts of the speech which had most effect upon the Chamber, adds *The Times*, were his reply to the charge that he had been too late in warning Italy of the consequences of her Abyssinian adventure and his account of the assurances which he had given Great Britain of support in case of an attack by Italy and of the consultations between the Naval, Military and Air Staffs of the two countries which had followed those assurances.

His account of how the peace proposals came into being tallies closely with that given by Sir Samuel Hoare in the House of Commons, and there was the same omission to explain how a settlement, which so plainly put a premium upon military aggression, could be reconciled with the spirit of the Covenant or with the maintenance of collective security. As to the future, M. Laval assured the Chamber that support of the League, in co-operation with Great Britain, would remain the fundamental basis of French policy. France would continue to apply the methods of economic and financial pressure upon which the League had agreed. An oil embargo, he claimed, would only become practicable if the United States took similar action, which could not be until after Congress meets next month. When the time came he would be willing to submit the question for decision to the Chamber; but the failure of the peace proposals would not discourage him from pursuing within the framework of the League the task of restoring peace by conciliation.

Unquestionably this is one of the two main duties of the League. The pity is that a premature and misconceived effort at conciliation has made that side of its twofold task more difficult than it was before. The whole matter is now back again in the hands of the League itself. The essential is that its collective action should be made effective; for, if not collective, security must remain a myth. As M. Laval has pointed out, the methods of pressure already adopted are far from negligible, though time will be needed for them to produce their full effect. Whether and how this pressure should be intensified are questions not of principle, but of expediency, upon which there may be differences of opinion. What is vital is that the League should be united in support of whatever decisions are taken.

TRANSPORT IN IRELAND

A TRANSITIONAL YEAR

RAILWAYS REVIVE

SERVICES ABOVE AND BELOW THE BORDER

(BY "OBSERVER.")

WITHIN the limits of a necessarily brief contribution it is only possible to touch lightly upon a few of the outstanding changes which have occurred in public service transport during a year of rapid transition. Among such events the most notable was the decision of the Government of Northern Ireland to act on the advice of Sir Felix Pole, who recommended that the State should, in effect, acquire all privately-owned goods and passenger road services, and pool their aggregate receipts with railway revenues on the basis of a standard railway year.

Such a departure from the traditions of a community whose citizens have, with considerable justification, prided themselves upon the results of private enterprise, demands more than passing notice not only in respect to its local significance, but because of its possible reactions on future legislation in the Irish Free State, where transport, though subject to drastic State regulation, remains under private management. And, having regard to the concurrent change which placed London's road and rail passenger systems under the control of a public authority, it is by no means improbable that Northern Ireland's more sweeping measure of "socialisation" may react in greater or less degree upon general transport organisation in Great Britain.

NORTHERN IRELAND TRANSPORT ACT

Briefly described, the Northern Ireland Road and Railway Act, which became law early this year, provides for the constitution of three distinct, though closely related, State-controlled authorities:—

(1) A Road Transport Board empowered to acquire (by agreement or by compulsion) all omnibus and motor lorry services which ply for public hire;

(2) A Joint Committee, representative of the Road Transport Board and of railway companies, whose systems operate wholly or partly in Northern Ireland. Its duties will include the pooling of road and railway revenues, the elimination of redundant rail or road services, and the fixing of timetables, fares and other charges; and

(3) A Transport Appeal Tribunal, whose function it will be to review the reasonableness or otherwise of decisions taken by the Transport Board or the Joint Committee.

Among services which cannot be compulsorily acquired by the Transport Board are the Belfast Corporation's tramcar and omnibus organisation, motor lorry services confined to operation within the city boundaries of Belfast or Derry, and certain specified services concerned with furniture removal, funerals or the collection and delivery of milk supplies.

JOINT RAIL AND ROAD AUTHORITY

In pursuance of the Act the Road Transport Board has been form[illegible]—and has assumed possession *inter alia* of all omnibus and motor lorry services previously operated in Northern Ireland by the Great Northern, the L.M.S., and the County Down Railway Companies, and by the Belfast Omnibus Company and H.M.S. Catherwood. Negotiations for the acquisition of about a further 1,000 privately-owned motor lorries are now said to be in progress.

Relatively to road transport services in the Free State, the all-round superiority of public service vehicles in Northern Ireland is unquestionable. At a very conservative estimate it may be assumed that not one omnibus in every four which ply in the streets of Dublin to-day would pass muster for a single hour with the transport officers of the Royal Ulster Constabulary. It is anticipated that a similarly high standard of efficiency will be attained by goods vehicles as and when they become the property of the Transport Board.

ROADS—NORTH AND SOUTH

Two other, closely integrated, comparisons between North and South are unavoidable. Owing to the high proportion of motor vehicles to the population, and the consequently higher revenues derived by the Northern Ireland Road Fund, the expenditure per mile on highway reconstruction and maintenance greatly exceeds that of the Free State, with the natural consequence that most Northern roads are vastly superior.

FREE STATE RAILWAYS

Passing to the year's developments in the Free State, the most notable change is to be found in the increased railway revenues of the G.S.R. Company. Correspondingly there are evidences of marked upward tendencies in the railway receipts of the G.N.R. Company; but to what extent such increases are attributable to Northern Ireland and to Free State traffic respectively is not ascertainable. It is, however, fairly safe to estimate that aggregate Free State railway revenues for the year increased by between £160,000 and £170,000 as compared with 1934; a gross increment of somewhere about five per cent. Such increases have been attributed to railway companies' successful efforts to curtail their recently acquired road services and the consequent diversion of such traffic to rail vehicles. While such tendencies have probably continued in some measure to influence the policy of railway managers, there are evidences that the revenues of railway-controlled road services have advanced even more rapidly than have those of rail vehicles. According to official returns, long-distance omnibus services (practically railway monopolies) carried 800,000 more passengers and received £35,000 more in fares during the first ten months of this year than were shown by the records of the same period of 1934. As indications of similar, and probably more marked, advances in goods traffic, there are the known facts that the G.S.R. Company have recently added upwards of

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150 heavy vehicles to their road rolling stock.

RAILWAY ROAD SERVICES

The extent to which the G.S.R. and G.N.R. Companies have exercised their statutory rights to acquire—by agreement or compulsion—competing roads goods services is difficult to ascertain; but during the year many of the most extensive of such services have passed under railway control. Whether similar acquisitions of large numbers of smaller services are in contemplation seems to be open to some doubt, and it may well be that railway directors prefer to acquire new and up-to-date vehicles rather than to face heavy capital outlays for the rolling stock and "goodwill" of numbers of their smaller competitors. Another interesting speculation concerns the extent to which such competitors have exercised, or may exercise, their statutory rights to compel railway companies to take over and pay for their properties.

During the year the G.S.R. have finally abandoned many non-paying miles of rail, including their Cork to Macroom and the Galway to Clifden branches, and have taken the important decision to close their terminus at Broadstone. Such developments are but the more striking evidences of a transitional stage towards the achievement of the declared objects of the Northern Ireland Act referred to above, and it will be of much interest to observe the comparative results of the respective methods adopted by the Free State and Northern Ireland Legislatures.

DUBLIN'S STREET TRANSPORT

When we turn from long-distance passenger transport to the year's history and present conditions of street transport in Dublin City and suburbs the tale of enterprise and progress must, unfortunately, be reversed. A year of exceptional disturbance, hesitation and public discontent seems to end in an approach to something in the nature of crisis. Having exercised their statutory rights to acquire all but one of their road competitors (at a capital outlay of more than £300,000), the Dublin Tramways Company found themselves saddled with numbers of redundant and obsolescent vehicles and excessive staffs. In such straits they were called on to face ten weeks' complete suspension of their services—nominally as the result of disciplinary action, but really as the result of superabundant staffs and rivalry between labour organisations.

AFTERMATH OF STRIKE

Apart from the heavy losses incurred during the ten weeks of suspended operations there is official evidence of heavy and continuing declines in the company's receipts from omnibus passengers. The actual decline in the latter part of the year exceeded 1,000,000 passengers and upwards of £3,000 in receipts monthly. Concurrently substantial reductions in the numbers of tramcars in daily service and the persistent use of many hundreds of cycles acquired during the strike period seem to suggest that the company's tramcars, as well as their omnibuses, have been forsaken by considerable bodies of their former patrons. At this juncture it is impossible to say whether curtailment of services and increases in fares are likely to compensate the company for such diminutions in passengers and gross revenues. But, from the public point of view, it is clear that other and more fundamental changes must soon ensue in the interest alike of public service transport and the relief of traffic congestion in many central areas.

POSSIBLE REMEDIES

As remedies for such an unsatisfactory state of affairs various expedients have been suggested. To relieve central congestion the Chief Commissioner of the Civic Guard—who is officially responsible for traffic regulation—proposed the construction of tramway tracks over, or under, the grounds of Trinity College. Other authorities have urged the substitution of tramcars by oil-driven double-deck omnibuses, or—in the interests of the national electricity supply system—by trolley 'buses. As the year closes the balance of probabilities would seem to point to the early adoption of one, or possibly both, of the latter expedients.

Meanwhile, the difficulties of Dublin's street traffic have been sensibly increased during the year by, otherwise gratifying, increases in the numbers of touring cars and commercial motor vehicles registered for use. Coupled with prolonged delays in reaching decisions between the Corporation and the police authorities as to the adoption of mechanical traffic control equipment, and the failure of the Port and Docks Board to provide extra bridge accommodation across the Liffey, such increases in motor transport have led to the virtual immobilisation of traffic at many central points during certain hours daily.

A REVIVAL IN MOTORING

While such remediable difficulties may be deplored, it is highly gratifying to observe that the year has marked a definite revival in the motor trade. An actual decline in the numbers of vehicles registered in the Free State during 1934 contrasts with the addition of several thousands of new registrations during 1935, with consequent accretions of revenue to the Road Fund. But, in spite of such increases, the Fund—owing to some years of severe motor trade depression and to previous borrowings for the relief of unemployment on road-mending—has proved entirely inadequate to meet the reasonable demands of road users. Not alone has expenditure failed to keep in step with the growth of motor traffic, but in many areas signs of actual deterioration in road surfaces have become evident during the year.

AERIAL TRANSPORT

In another field there has been some welcome evidence that air services are about to become regular features of our transport organisation. With the establishment of scheduled services between Northern Ireland and Great Britain, the Free State's agreement for similar trans-Channel services, and the choice of Foynes as the airport for trans-Atlantic mail and passenger services, an era of commercial flying seems at last to have opened.

PORT AND HARBOUR DEVELOPMENTS

In the arena of seaborne transport notable features during the year have been continued increases in the numbers and dimensions of ocean-going craft entering Dublin and Belfast, large improvements in Limerick and Foynes Harbours, and decisions to proceed with considerable extensions of the ports of Galway and Sligo. Many of such developments are consequent upon the economic policy of the Free State Government, whose legislation has tended to change the character and the direction of the flow of industries in which transport facilities are determining considerations.

As the year closes, the general position may, perhaps, be fairly summarised by saying that the main strategy of internal transport has been determined as the result of measures taken by the Free State and Northern Ireland Legislatures; that the strategy of seaborne traffic is yet in a very fluid condition, and that some serious efforts have been made to study the strategy and possible reactions of air traffic on the future organisation both of our internal and external systems of transportation.

SHOOTING IN VIENNA

HEIMWEHR LEADER ATTACKED

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

VIENNA, Sunday.

The police are energetically investigating what is regarded as an attempt to murder the well-known Heimwehr district leader, Max Walchar.

Walchar, when about to enter his home last night, was shot from an ambush and critically wounded. The assailants, who are believed to be Communists, escaped unrecognised.

Walcher wore Heimwehr uniform.

Prince Starhemberg himself hurried to the victim's bedside. Extensive raids have been undertaken by the police, and many persons have been arrested.

REMARKABLE POLICE CASE

IDENTIFICATION QUESTION

COMMENT OF LONDON MAGISTRATE

At Bow Street, London, on Saturday, the magistrate (Mr. Dummett) commented on the method of identification used by Detective-Sergeant Whitehurst in a case in which John James Metcalfe, radio salesman, of Bracewell road, North Kensington, was accused of robbing Miss Doris Lush of money and other things valued at £5 15s., in a flat at Rupert street, W., and at the same time using personal violence to her, thus rendering her unconscious.

Detective-Sergeant Whitehurst said that Miss Lush went to Vine Street Police Station on Friday evening to make a statement about a man who robbed her on December 17. Metcalfe was then at the station to make a statement about an alleged atack on him near Leicester square last Sunday, when he was supposed to have been stabbed. When Miss Lush saw him she said: "That's the man who came to my flat on December 17 and robbed me."

Mr. Dummett—This was quite a chance meeting? He had come in to tell you a story about having been stabbed, and she came in to make a complaint about a robbery?

Sergeant Whitehurst—Yes. She had already made a statement, and we wanted more particulars.

The police had no idea that this was alleged to be the man?—No. It was purely a chance meeting. Nine other police officers were present. I asked her to repeat her statement, and she did so. I took her away and returned to Metcalfe. He then said: "I will tell you all about it. I have been a fool to myself." He made a statement, which was taken down in writing.

A DENIAL

Metcalfe—I don't understand. I want a solicitor. That is different to what happened. It was not a chance identification. She was brought in and sat facing me directly. All she said was: "Yes, that's the man."

Sergeant Whitehurst—No. He was sitting in the far corner of the room.

Metcalfe—There was a chair turned round for her to sit facing me.

Sergeant Whitehurst—That is not true.

Mr. Dummett—Had you or anybody in the police station connected these two together before she said she recognised him?—No.

There was no sort of idea in your mind, or so far as you know, in the mind of anybody in the police station, that these two people had ever had anything to do with one another?—That is quite true.

Asked by the magistrate to describe in more detail what happened in the station, Sergeant Whitehurst said: "Miss Lush was just about to make a statement, and I had some papers to take a statement from her. I had no idea what she was going to say. She said: 'That's the man who came to my flat on December 17th and robbed me.'"

This was a complete surprise to you?—Yes.

Mr. Dummett—An ordinary person who has been robbed does not expect, unless she has been previously warned, to go to a police station to make a statement and then quite suddenly see the person who robbed her without showing some surprise. You have told me the story as if this was the most ordinary thing in the world. I am not suggesting you are not right. I am pointing out that you are telling a most astonishing story in a most ordinary sort of way. Now, I ask you again: Are you quite certain that the woman went to the station of her own volition, without knowing that she was going to see the man suspected, and that no policeman knew anything about it?

Sergeant Whitehurst said that he told the woman to be at the station at 7.40 p.m., and warned Metcalf to be there at 8 p.m.

AN ADMISSION

Mr. Dummett—Not knowing that there was any connection?—No I did suspect this man:

"How long," said Mr. Dummett, angrily, "has it taken me to get this truth out? Half an hour, nearly. I have been questioning you, and you have been saying what is not true. Now you say that you suspected the man, and that you had the woman there. I do not think much of the way in which you have given your evidence."

On this evidence the police asked for a remand.

Mr. Dummett ordered Miss Lush into the witness box. Replying to his questions, she said that she went to Vine street at the request of a police officer, who said to her: "We have got a man who seems to resemble the description of the man who robbed you. Will you come along and see if you can tell us if he is the same man?"

Mr. Dummett—You went, knowing that the man they suspected was going to be present with a view to seeing if you could identify him?—Yes. He took me into a room. There were nine men in plain clothes and two women. I sat in a chair opposite this young man and recognised him at once.

Did you look at everyone in the room?—Yes, I had a good look.

This man was sitting separately?—Yes.

In ordering a remand, Mr. Dummett turned to the inspector on duty in the Court and said: "You have heard what has happened."

SENATE MEETING TO-MORROW

FINAL STAGE OF LAND PURCHASE BILL

BY OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

The Senate will meet to-morrow at 3 o'clock for the purpose of taking the Land Purchase (Guarantee Fund) Bill. This will be on the Order Paper for second stage. There will also be a motion on behalf of the Government to suspend the Standing Orders so that all the remaining stages may be taken at the same sitting. This latter motion will probably be agreed to; as the bill now has been declared to be a money bill there would be no point in delaying its progress. Senators may be expected to take full advantage of their right to criticise the measure, and to move recommendations if they so desire, but no notice of any such a recommendation had been received at the office of the Clerk of the Senate up to Saturday last.

There will be a meeting of the Committee on Procedure and Privileges earlier in the day for the purpose of approving the draft report on the question of the action of the Chairman of the Senate at a previous meeting in postponing the consideration of the Guarantee Fund Bill pending the decision of the Committee which reviewed the action of the Speaker of the Dail in declaring that bill to be a money bill.

The Senate will again meet on Tuesday, 14th January, for the purpose of taking the report stage of the Conditions of Employment Bill, and on the following day, 15th January, when the final stages of the Senate Abolition Bill will be taken. When these matters were discussed on the 18th December it was thought that both bills might be taken on the same day, but some Senators expressed the view that because of the strong feelings that the latter measure might evoke, it was desirable that the Conditions of Employment Bill should be taken in a calmer atmosphere.

LORD READING

The Marquess of Reading, who is lying ill at his London home, was stated yesterday to be "about the same." He had a fair day following a bad night. Lord Reading caught a chill last week, and his condition on Saturday morning was said to be causing grave anxiety.

FUNERAL OF LORD DE FREYNE

LARGE ATTENDANCE AT FRENCHPARK

At Cloonshamble, French Park, in the heart of the country he loved so deeply, the remains of Francis Charles, sixth Baron De Freyne of Ardagh, were buried on Saturday morning.

The funeral was attended by people from all over the County Roscommon. These included hundreds of men and women who formerly had been tenants on the French Park estate, and who at some time or another had experienced the help or guidance of "the Master." The village of French Park itself, which lies on the edge of the demesne, was clouded in sorrow. All the places of business were closed, and the windows of each home were shuttered. Although it was a Saturday, when the usual weekly supplies of goods are obtained, no trading was done.

The funeral took place from the little parish church in the village, where Lord De Freyne's body, encased in a beautiful oak and silver-mounted coffin, had lain during the night, after its journey from London. Early in the morning the villagers and

LORD DE FREYNE.

retainers were seen passing up the aisle and saying prayers beside the coffin, which was almost covered with a heap of wreaths made of chrysanthemums and white lilies.

After Mass, which was said in the presence of a crowded congregation, the body of Lord De Freyne was carried by his former tenants in relays to the little cemetery, about two miles away. The grave is under the shadow of a twelfth century abbey ruins. The last prayers were said by the Most Rev. Dr. Morrisroe, Bishop of Achonry.

The Mass was said by the Very Rev. Dr. Duignan, P.P., French Park, and the Absolutions were given by the Most Rev. Dr. F. Morrisroe. The other clergy present were: The Rev. Canon Butler, P.P., Elphin; the Right Rev. Monsignor Cummins, P.P., V.F., D.D., Roscommon; the Very Rev. Father McGowan, P.P., Croghan; the Right Rev. Monsignor O'Connor, P.P., Gurteen; the Very Rev. P. J. Roughneen, Adm., Ballagh; the Very Rev. R. Mullaney, P.P., Fairymount; the Rev. M. T. Casey, C.C., Drumlion; the Rev. Father McManus, C.C., Bellanagar; the Rev. T. J. Moran, Galway; the Rev. M. Devine, C.C., Breedogue; the Rev. J. Tully, C.C., Sligo.

CHIEF MOURNERS

The chief mourners were: Lady De Freyne (widow), the Hons. Patricia, Johnnie, Patience and Faith French (daughters); the Hons. Louis, Willie and Hubert French (brothers); the Hon. Lily French (sister), Sir John Arnott, Bart. (father-in-law); the Hon. Mrs. W. French (sister-in-law), Mr. Robert Arnott (brother-in-law), Captain V. F. Blake, A. Blake, Isidore Blake, Lionel Blake, Gerald Blake, Arthur Gorges and C. H. French (cousins).

The attendance included:—Lord Holmpatrick, Hugh D. Pack-Beresford, Sir Cecil and Lady Stafford-King-Harman, the MacDermot, Percy MacDermot, John Fletcher, Dr. Douglas Hyde, Mrs. Kane, Dr. and Mrs. J. O'Beirne, C. C. Dignan, Mrs. Kelly, Richard Ryan, R. H. Ryan (Dublin), Cecil M. Kelly, the Rev. Canon Sinclair, the Rev. J. McCormick (Ardcarne), Dr. and Mrs. Byrne, L. Morrogh Ryan, E. H. Kenny, Mr. and Mrs. Blake Kelly, Dr. Walter A. Jones, J. Owens, Dr. T. G. O'Donoghue, the Rev. E. Furlong, Lieutenant-Colonel C. Grattan-Bellew, Dr. Kilgallen, Mr. and Mrs. John Lowe, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Gannon, P. J. Hurley, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. MacManus, C. Callan, solicitor (Boyle); John Doran, M. J. Higgins, J. Durr, Michael O'Brien, John Connor, J. Keenan, V. Reilly, John Madden, Mrs. Roles, M. Mulligan, Michael Hand, P. Gorman, T. Patton, P. Giblin, B. Mulvihill, P. Lowry, M. J. Owens, P. Kelly, C. Davies, James Davies, P. Cahill; S. Hall, Luke Higgins, T. Phillips, Charles Kenny, Bartley Gorman, P. O'Rorke, William Roe, Mr. and Mrs. J. Beirne, Miss E. Cullen, Miss Maude Cullen, L. O'Reilly, K. O'Reilly, Joseph Mannion, Mrs. Mannion, John Morahan, John Deane, T. Deane, John Tully, P. J. Higgins, G. Tully, Michael McAuley, Miss Morahan and Sergeant Duffy, P. J. Flynn, solicitor (Strokestown).

THE WREATHS

The following were the wreaths:—"To My Own Darling" (from Lady De Freyne); "To Darling Daddy, from his loving Patricia, Johnnie, Patience, Faith and Francis"; "With My Deepest Sympathy. John Arnott"; "Laurie, In Loving Memory"; "Loving Memory, Louis and Madge"; "Loving Memory, Margaret"; "To Francis, from Robert"; "In Ever Loving Memory, Dick and Mary Van Cutsem"; "In Loving Memory, Tom and Lettice"; "To Our Dearest Love Uncle, Sweetest Memories. Ida May and Richard Van Cutsem"; "With Deepest Sympathy, Mrs. David Arnott"; "With Loving Sympathy, from Aunt Bea and Uncle Lenny"; "With Loving Sympathy, from Aunt Till"; "In Affectionate Memory, Edward and Betty"; "With Deepest Sympathy, from Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Blake and Mr. L. Blake"; "With Expression of Sincere Sympathy, from the staff of the *Irish Times*, Dublin"; "With Loving Sympathy, from Aunt Madge, Violet, Hilary, Joan Crawford"; "In Loving Sympathy, from Aunt Blanche"; "With Deepest Sympathy, from Uncle John and May"; "Deepest Sympathy, from the people of French Park"; "In Loving Memory, Cynthia and Children"; "In Affectionate Memory, Charlie and Mary"; "In Loving Memory, Stewart, Olive and Lettice, Elaine and French MacDermot"; "Mrs. Kirkwood, Gloongoonagh"; "To Frankie, from Marfield"; "Leo and Maeve Morrogh-Ryan"; "With Deepest Sympathy, Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Cottell and family"; "Deepest Sympathy, Mrs. Nigel Baring"; "Deepest Sympathy, Mrs. Fane Vernon and the Misses Vernon"; "With Deepest Sympathy, Colonel A. F. Blake"; "With Deepest Sympathy, Colonel and Mrs. Fetherstonhaugh"; "Mr. and Mrs. Francis Boylan"; "With Sincerest Sympathy, Mr. H. S. Jackson."

THE WORLD AT THE CROSS ROADS

ENGLISH PRIMATE'S CALL

The Archbishop of Canterbury, in a broadcast addressed from Lambeth Palace last night based on the words: "The Right Road," stressed the important part which Christian citizens can play in these days of international anxiety.

He said that he had invited the authorities of Christian communions in Europe to issue simultaneously to their own people some solemn reminder of this responsibility. "The answers I have already received show, he said, that in the week beginning the first Sunday of the new year throughout a great part of Europe, with a unity never hitherto attained, an appeal to the loyalty of Christian citizens will be made. Much depends upon the answer; for assuredly Europe and, indeed, the world stand at the cross-roads. The one road—the way of Christ—must lead to peace, the other must sooner or later lead to a confusion in which all that we mean by civilisation will be lost."

A WORLD RECORD

SHIPBUILDING IN BELFAST

HIGHEST TONNAGE OF THE YEAR

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Saturday.

THE announcement in the *Irish Times* a month ago that Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Ltd., Belfast, would have the largest tonnage output of new ships of any firm in Great Britain for the year, and that they would also have a world record for the year is confirmed to-day by the annual review of world ship-building published by the *Glasgow Herald*.

The statistics for the year show that Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Ltd., have secured the following distinctions:—

The highest tonnage for the year;
The two biggest ships of the year;
The second largest machinery output;
Built one-fifth of the shipping launched in the British Isles, and
Built five of the thirteen vessels exceeding 11,000 tons each launched during the year.

While there has been a slight decrease in the tonnage launched from British yards during 1935, compared with the previous year's return, the foreign output has actually increased by over 25 per cent. during the corresponding period.

In 1934 British ship-builders launched nearly 50 per cent. of the world's tonnage, but the British proportion of the total during the period under review was down to about 30 per cent. In 1935 British yards launched 540,803 tons of shipping on a world total of 1,550,642 tons. In 1934 they launched 579,358 tons on a world total of 1,297,282.

RETURNS

German and Scandinavian ship-builders figure prominently among the firm having the most noted returns:—

	Vessels.	Tons.
Harland and Wolff (Britain)	11	113,822
Swan Hunter (Britain)	13	60,289
Gotaverken (Sweden)	10	51,856
Deutsche Werft (Germany)	10	48,490
Mitsuibishi Jukogyo (Japan)	24	42,892
Bremer Vulkan (Germany)	7	40,684
Odense Works (Denmark)	5	35,608
Mitsui Bussan (Japan)	8	34,608
Deschmag (Germany)	9	34,590
Burmeister and Wain (Denmark)	5	31,779
Cammell Laird (Britain)	4	31,244
Knockums Works (Sweden)	5	29,656
Nakskov Works (Denmark)	8	29,393
Lithgows, Ltd. (Britain)	6	29,150
Vickers-Armstrongs (Britain)	4	27,088
Netherland S.B. Co. (Holland)	6	27,045
Burntisland S.B. Co. (Britain)	9	25,572
W. Doxford and Sons (Britain)	5	24,835

Only six merchant ships of over 14,000 tons gross were launched during the year, three being from British yards. The largest ships of the year were the Union Castle liners, Stirling Castle and Athlone Castle, each 25,000 tons, built and engined by Messrs. Harland and Wolff, Belfast. The largest steam-propelled liner of the year was the Strathmore, 23,438 tons, built and engined by Messrs. Vickers-Armstrongs, Barrow-in-Furness. The liner Potsdam (17,518 tons gross), built by Messrs. Blohm and Voss, Hamburg, is a turbo-electric vessel. Apart from the Strathmore and the Potsdam, all the big ships of the year are motor ships.

OBITUARY

COMMANDER S. H. DILLON, R.N.

Commander Stafford Harry Dillon, D.S.O., R.N. (retired), who died at Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, on December 21, served during the war in command of small craft, says *The Times*, and was awarded the D.S.O. in September, 1918, for his work in the Auxiliary Patrol and Minesweeping Flotillas. The son of the late Mr. C. H. Dillon, J.P., of Malahide, County Dublin, he entered the Britannia in 1901, went to sea as midshipman of the cruiser Hogue, Channel Fleet, in 1903, and was promoted to Lieutenant in 1909.

When the war began he had been for two years in command of Torpedo Boat No. 117 at the Nore. From her he was appointed, in October, 1915, to command the Sloop Carnation, and from March, 1917, the Minesweeper Meynell. In August, 1918, he joined the staff of the Kingstown Area Auxiliary Patrol until it was demobilised in 1919. In November of the latter year he was appointed for service under the Ministry of Labour in charge of the Dublin district. He retired from the active list of the Navy, with a gratuity, in 1920, and was promoted to Commander (retired) in 1927, on attaining the age of forty. Commander Dillon married Amy, the only daughter of Colonel Godfrey Massy, formerly of Stagdale, County Limerick.

MRS. H. L. PURDON-COOTE

The death occurred in a Dublin nursing home yesterday of Mrs. Harriette Louisa Purdon-Coote, at the age of 84. The daughter of the late Major Robert Percival Maxwell, of Finnebrough, Downpatrick, Co. Down, Mrs. Purdon-Coote was the widow of the late Mr. Charles Purdon-Coote, of Bearforest, Mallow, County Cork, and was the mother of Lady Farnham, of Farnham Castle, County Cavan; Miss Purdon-Coote, Ballsbridge, Dublin, and Major Purdon-Coote, Bearforest. Although she had led a retired life for many years, residing with her son at Bearforest, she maintained a keen interest in local affairs, and her considerate and kindly manner, allied to a charming personality, earned her an extremely wide and high measure of popularity in the Mallow district.

MR. G. R. THOMPSON

News of the death on Tuesday last of Mr. G. R. Thompson, in his eighty-fourth year, has been received with much regret in Derry. Mr. Thompson was born in Queen's County, but his family had been long associated with Derry City. His own connection with the city began in 1872, when he joined the local post office as a telegraphist. In 1917 he retired with the rank of superintendent. Throughout his forty-five years' service he had shown marked aptitude for official work, and postmasters from time to time expressed appreciation of his services. Mr. Thompson's kindly disposition had won him favour with all classes. Since his retirement he took no part in public affairs, but he was held in high esteem by all.

Mr. Thompson was the father of eighteen children—six daughters and twelve sons—of whom seven sons and five daughters survive him. His eldest son, Mr. George B. Thompson, now occupies the post of superintendent which his father vacated in 1917. The second son, Mr. Dealtry P. Thompson, for a time was secretary and director of the *Derry Standard*, and an alderman of Derry City, and now is vice-chairman of the local Employment Committee, and secretary of the Typographical Society. Eight of Mr. Thompson's sons served in the Army during the Great War, three being killed and two seriously wounded.

CUT OFF BY FLOODS

TRADESMEN CALL IN BOATS

Milk was delivered in boats yesterday to a dozen houses in Waterside, Evesham, because of floods which vary from one to three feet in depth. The isolated premises include an hotel. Cellars and ground floors are flooded, and furniture is floating about

The River Avon rose too quickly to enable the occupants to move their furniture. For the past two days the occupants have been confined to upper storeys.

The river rose eleven feet in twelve hours, and last night it was still more than ten feet above summer level. Hundreds of acres of arable land resemble a lake.

A further rise in the river is likely to-day, when the water from the Cotswold hills joins the Avon in the Vale of Evesham.

The hamlets of Abbots Morton and Fladbury are cut off by the floods.

After remaining stationary for the last 48 hours the flood water in the Medway district of Kent last night began to recede slowly. Several roads in the Yalding and Laddingford districts were impassable.

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PATRIARCH OF GREEK CHURCH

THE DEATH OF PHOTIUS II.

HIS RELATIONS WITH ANGLICANS

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ISTANBUL, Sunday.

HIS ALL-HOLINESS PHOTIUS II., the Œcumenical Patriarch, died this morning. He was sixty-three years old. Death was due to general consumption, complicated by chronic intestinal trouble.

At the beginning of this month Photius II., the Patriarch of the Greek Orthodox Church, was reported to be suffering from acute influenza. Subsequently his condition was stated to be critical.

The deceased Œcumenical Patriarch, born at Prinkipo, Constantinople, in 1872, was the 265th Patriarch since the advent of Andrew the Protoclite. In 1929 he was unanimously elected head of all the Greek Churches in succession to Basil III. As Œcumenical Patriarch of Istanbul he presided over forty-nine dioceses.

Educated in Athens and Munich he was successively metropolitan of Philippopoli, Cozan, Pera, Philadelphia and Dercos. In 1931 the Patriarch Photius II. convened a Congress at Mount Athos, where the advisability of a union between the Greek Orthodox and Anglican Churches was discussed. Almost all those present at the Congress voted in favour of the proposed union.

THE ROYAL WEDDING

Through the intermediary of Archbishop Germanos of Thyatira (London), Photius II. maintained excellent relations with the Archbishopric of Canterbury. It will be recalled that the marriage of Princess Marina to H.R.H. the Duke of Kent was celebrated by Archbishop Germanos at Buckingham Palace, in addition to the ceremony at Westminster Abbey.

The Patriarch Photius II. radically transformed the Greek Orthodox Church of America and succeeded in reconciling the conflicting parties. His crowning achievement, however, was to group all the white Russian parishes dispersed throughout Europe under the jurisdiction of the Œcumenic Patriarchate of Phanar, at Istanbul. He created for this purpose an episcopate in Paris under the Russian Archbishop Evloghi.

YOUNG MEN IN PARLIAMENT

106 UNDER AGE OF FORTY

An analysis of the ages of members of Parliament returned at the recent general election shows that there is an abundant supply of material for the pursuit of the Prime Minister's policy of recruiting young men to positions of responsibility in the Government, says the Press Association Lobby Correspondent.

More than one-sixth of the members of the House of Commons—106—are under the age of forty. Eight are Labour members, and all the rest—98—are Conservatives. The Conservative Party can, therefore, claim that one in every four of its members in the House is under 40.

Thirteen members are under thirty. Of these twelve are Conservatives and one is Labour. Mr. Malcolm MacMillan, the "baby" of the House, is 22, and represents the Western Isles. Mr. Charles S. Taylor, Eastbourne, the youngest Conservative, is three years older.

The twelve youngest Conservatives and the years in which they were born are as follows: Mr. W. W. Astor, East Fulham, 1907; Mr. Ronald Gartland, King's Norton, Birmingham, 1907; Mr. Loel Guinness, Bath, 1906; Mr. L. R. Lumley, York, 1906; Mr. R. A. Pilkington, Widnes, 1908; Mr. R. W. Porritt, Heywood and Radcliffe, 1910; Mr. J. R. Rathbone, Bodmin, 1910; Mr. Roland Robinson, Blackpool, 1907; Mr. Stuart Russell, Darwen, 1909; Mr. Duncan Sandys, Norwood, 1908; Mr. Charles S. Taylor, Eastbourne, 1910; Lord Willoughby de Eresby, Rutland and Stamford, 1907.

Mr. MacMillan is the only Scottish member under thirty.

Scottish Conservatives have nine members under forty—namely, Mr. Robert Boothby, the Marquess of Clydesdale, Lord Dunglass, Sir Edmund Findlay, Mr. J. H. McKie, Lord William Scott, Mr. James Stuart, Sir Douglas Thomson and Mr. H. J. S. Wedderburn.

There is no Scottish Labour M.P. in the thirties.

Wales has two members who are under forty—Mr. Aneurin Bevan, Labour, and Mr. O. Temple Morris, Conservative.

IRISH SPORTSMEN ABROAD.

If you have a relative or friend abroad interested in Irish Racing, Hunting, Rugby, Coursing, or Sporting matters generally, he will appreciate a copy of "THE IRISH FIELD," which will be posted regularly each week to any address on the following terms:—Year, 13/-; Half-Year, 6/6; Quarter, 3/3 (post free). Head Office—11 D'Olier street, Dublin.

LAVAL VICTORY

(Continued from Page 7, Column 2).

the necessary policy practised by M. Laval."

GREAT IMPRESSION

The *Petit Parisien* pronounces M. Laval's speech "the most important in his whole political career," and affirms that it produced a great impression on the Chamber of Deputies, and will be properly appreciated in all the Chancelleries of the world.

The *Ere Nouvelle*, the organ of the Government Radical Party, says: "The Budget must come first. The Radicals who voted yesterday remained within the tradition of their party. They did their duty as Republicans and patriots."

L'Œuvre says: "It was not desired to overthrow the Ministry. In fact, it looked as though the whole thing was simply a matter of getting M. Laval to make revised and corrected declarations on Anglo-Italo-Ethiopian diplomacy."

M. Leon Blum writes in *Le Populaire*: "I don't feel discouraged. M. Laval rallied a personal majority. His majority shrank. He had to throw out ballast, and proclaimed in solemn terms his loyalty to the Covenant. He would apply the Covenant, he said, sanctions included." Nevertheless, M. Blum regrets the success of the Premier. "If the Chamber had overthrown him it would have caused immense relief in all democratic and pacific Europe."

CABINET OFFER RESIGNATIONS

RECONSTRUCTION IN ARGENTINE

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BUENOS AIRES, Sunday.

All the members of the Cabinet are reported to have offered their resignations in order to facilitate the task of reconstruction of the Ministry.

Their action is attributed to the desire to give President Justo more scope in view of the legislative elections in March next. It is believed, nevertheless, that President Justo will retain some of the Ministers of the present Cabinet.

The present Coalition Government, formed after the revolution of September, 1930, is predominantly Conservative. The Radicals, believed to be the strongest party in the country, are not represented in the Government.

HAVOC TO U.S. CROPS

WORST FROST FOR 19 YEARS

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

NEW YORK, Sunday.

The worst frost for nineteen years has caused damage estimated at millions of dollars in the Southern States. Crops have been withered by the frost, and lines of communication have been crippled over a huge ice-bound area.

North and South Carolina, Tennessee and Alabama lie to-night under a blanket of snow. Meanwhile New Yorkers are shivering in a bitter temperature only eight degrees above zero.

Another bitter cold wave is reported to be moving up the Atlantic seaboard from the South to-night.

S.O.S. FOR THREE SONS

"SOMEWHERE IN THE BRITISH ISLES"

An S.O.S. for three sons "somewhere in the British Isles" was broadcast last night.

The message stated: "Will Richard Kirkham, Walter Kirkham, and James Kirkham, somewhere in the British Isles, go to Mile End Hospital, Mile End, where their father, Joseph Kirkham, is dangerously ill."

JUBILEE EUCALYPTUS AT GIBRALTAR

"TIMES" TELEGRAM.

GIBRALTAR, Sunday.

In conformity with local precedent, General Sir Charles Harington, the Governor, to-day planted a red eucalyptus tree in the Alameda Gardens to commemorate the year of the King's Jubilee. The tree, the first of its kind at Gibraltar, was planted on the site of the red sands where the garrison assembled before the successful sortie of November 26-27, 1781, during the great siege, when General Sir George Eliot, afterwards Lord Heathfield, held the Rock against the Spaniards and French, from August, 1779, to February, 1783.

WOMAN'S SHOCKING DEATH

AN EXPLOSION OF FUMES

BLOWN THROUGH TWO ROOMS

AFTER being blown through two rooms by an explosion of fumes from a frock which had been cleaned, Mrs. Dixon-Smith, aged 22, wife of Mr. John Andrew Dixon-Smith, of Rothwell House, Chobham, Surrey, died from burns in Woking Hospital yesterday.

A SPECIAL SPIRIT

Mrs. Noel Plummer, Mr. Dixon-Smith's mother, said to a reporter:—

"A friend, Mrs. Moon, had cleaned the frock with some special spirit that had been given to her, and had hung it up to air on the outside of the kitchen door, which was left slightly open. Mrs. Moon was returning to the kitchen with something from her car when she saw Mrs. Dixon-Smith with a box of matches preparing to light the gas stove.

"She called a warning to Mrs. Dixon-Smith, but almost before the words were out of her mouth Mrs. Dixon-Smith had struck a match and there was a terrific explosion. Both she and Mrs. Moon were hurled through the diningroom and into the hall.

JUMP FROM WINDOW

"Mrs. Dixon-Smith was in flames. Mrs. Moon tried to smother them with curtains, and jumped with her through the diningroom window into the garden.

"Meantime, Mr. Dixon-Smith, who was reading in the drawingroom, had heard the screams, but part of the ceiling had collapsed and jammed the drawingroom door. He broke it open and saw his wife and Mrs. Moon struggling with the flames.

"All Mrs. Dixon-Smith's clothes were burned from her, and she was unconscious when he reached her."

The gas stove had not been lit.

Mr. Dixon-Smith is secretary of the Chobham Bicycle Polo Club, and is a well-known amateur cricketer.

CORK MAN'S DEATH IN LONDON

SCOTLAND YARD INQUIRIES

Scotland Yard inquiries into the death of Timothy Hurley (40), of Bruce House, Kemble street, Drury lane, who was found dying in the street near the Strand, London, on Saturday, took a new turn last night.

It was at first thought that Hurley, a native of Cork, had been attacked by a number of men, or that he was the victim of a quarrel.

Late last night, however, the theory was advanced that Hurley's death may have been due to an accident, or even to natural causes.

Hurley died in Charing Cross Hospital early yesterday, four hours after being admitted, without regaining consciousness. It is understood that, while there was no injury to the skull which would cause death, doctors operating on the man found a condition of the brain which would be sufficient to prove fatal.

As a result of extensive inquiries, the police decided to call in Sir Bernard Spilsbury to make a *post-mortem* examination.

Passers-by found Hurley at the corner of Maiden lane and Bedford street.

While a police officer waited at his bedside in hospital in the hope that he could make a statement, members of the Flying Squad began their search for anyone who could help them to solve the affair.

One of their difficulties was that, although there were hundreds of people in the vicinity, no actual witnesses could be found.

COW EATS REPORT

A cow is officially blamed for delay in the production of the Magwe Municipal Administration annual report, says Reuter from Rangoon.

The report has appeared several months later than the proper date. The explanation given to the president of the municipality by the secretary is that the original draft of the report was eaten by a cow. The president accepted the explanation.

These facts are related in a report by Mr. B. G. Pattle, Commissioner of the Magwe Division, who should have received the report months ago.

PETER PAN AT THE "ZOO": DUBLIN CAB DERBY

COOLNAHAY, Mr. A. Willis's horse, leading the field past the stands at Leopardstown, Co. Dublin, on Saturday, in the Silverpark Maiden Steeplechase event. He was unplaced at the finish.

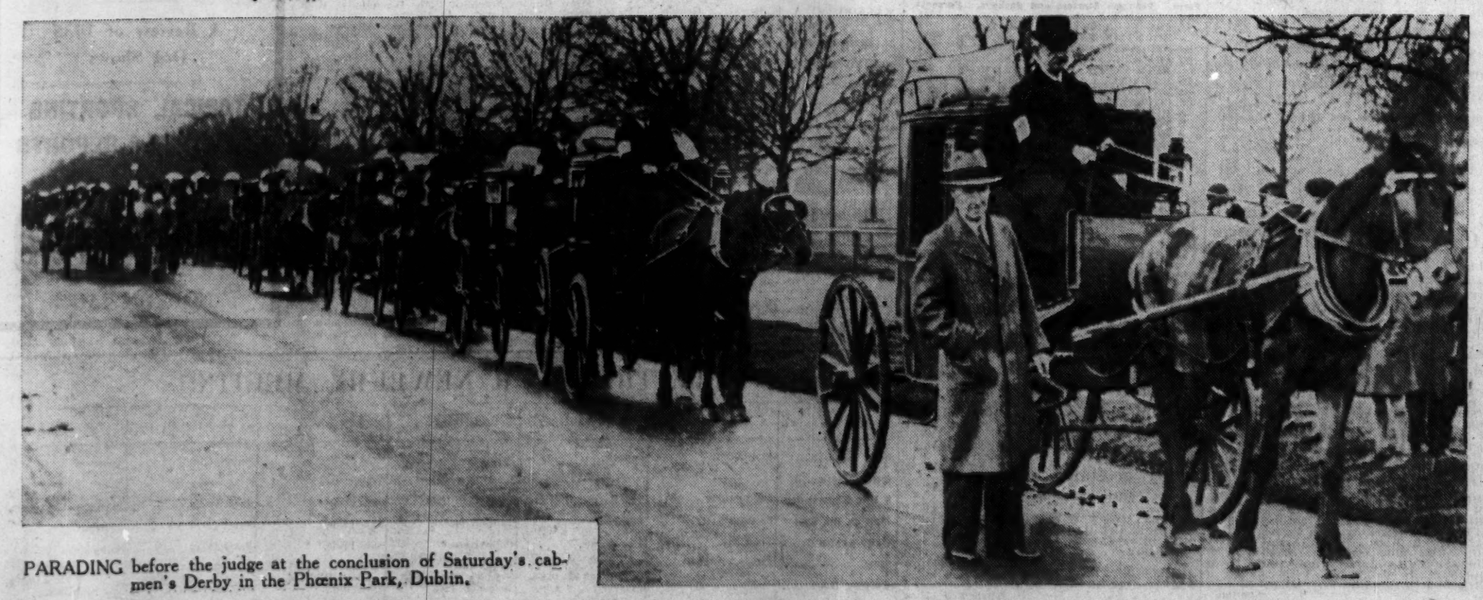
MEMBERS of the British Red Cross unit, recruited from the natives of Kenya, British Somaliland and other colonies, and at present serving in Abyssinia, bandaging the head of a wounded Abyssinian soldier at Jijiga.

THE BRIDEGROOM AND BRIDE photographed after the wedding, at the Church of the Sacred Heart, Donnybrook, on Saturday, of Mr. Desmond O'Connor Cuffey, F.R.C.S., of Eastbourne, and Miss Evelyn M. Verdon, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Verdon, 121 Anglesea road, Donnybrook.

MEMBERS of the company at present presenting "Peter Pan" at the Theatre Royal, Dublin, making friends with the elephant during a visit to the "Zoo" on Saturday afternoon. Included are: Mr. Harry Welchman (Captain Hook), Miss Dinah Sheridan (Wendy), Mr. Geoffrey Wellard (John) and Mr. Gordon Millar (Michael).

PRIZE-WINNERS at Saturday afternoon's children's fancy dress party at Mills' Hall, Merrion row. Left to right: Miss Diana Page (Pixie Doll) and Miss Magda Boylan, Hilltown (Madame Pompadour).

SOME of those who attended the dance, on the evening of Boxing Day, at the National Spa and Hydro, Lucan, Co. Dublin.



PARADING before the judge at the conclusion of Saturday's cabmen's Derby in the Phœnix Park, Dublin.

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FATAL FALL FROM RAILWAY CARRIAGE

INQUEST ON SOLDIER

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

STRABANE, Saturday.

Mr. Edward Clark, Deputy-Coroner for North Tyrone, sat with a jury in the Town Hall, Strabane, to-day to inquire into the death of Company Sergeant-Major George William Doherty, Royal Irish Fusiliers, stationed at Borden Camp, England, and a native of Derry, who was found in an unconscious condition on the side of the railway track a short distance from Strabane Railway Station last Monday night, and who died in Strabane District Hospital last Tuesday.

Mr. H. J. Simms (Messrs. Wilson and Simms) appeared on behalf of the railway company.

Head Constable Close, Strabane, stated that at about 10.15 p.m. last Monday he saw the body of Doherty at the side of the Great Northern Railway Line in the townland of Magirr, about 400 yards from Strabane Railway Station. His body was lying on the left-hand side of the railway line going from Strabane to Omagh. He was lying partly on his left side and partly on his face. His head was towards the railway line and about three feet from the track. He had no hat or cap, and was unconscious. About six yards away he found a piece of the wooden portion of a railway carriage window, which he produced. He explained that as a result of his investigations he found that it was necessary, in order to get the door open, to open it from the outside.

James Doherty, New street, Derry, a riveter, stated that his brother was home on holidays since the previous Thursday, and witness last saw him alive on December 23 at 3.50 p.m., when he was then in his usual good health, and left Derry for Omagh.

Dr. Hill, Strabane District Hospital, stated that in his opinion death was due to fracture of the base of the skull. Having heard the evidence, he was of opinion that this was caused by a fall from a railway carriage.

The jury returned a verdict of "Death from fracture of the skull, caused by accidentally falling out of the train."

THE METHODIST CHURCH

RATHGAR CHOIR'S GOOD WORK

Prior to the annual Carol Service in Rathgar Church the Rev. Bertram G. East referred to the great help that the church choir always gave in leading the Service of Praise at public worship. The choir is fortunate in having as choirmaster Mr. J. Turner Huggard, F.R.C.O., and as organist Miss Betty Hewson, L.R.A.M. The senior members of the choir is Mr. A. Aykroyd, who for more than thirty years acted as voluntary organist of the church.

The choir has more than once been selected to lead the singing at great public gatherings in connection with Methodism, and those who attended the Service at St. Mary's Parish Church, held during last Conference, when a tablet commemorating the fact that Wesley had preached his first sermon in Ireland in that church was unveiled, still speak of the choir's beautiful unaccompanied singing. Amid the activities of the choir this Christmas season was a visit to the Victoria Eye and Ear Hospital, when the members sang Christmas hymns and carols to the great delight of the patients.

Osborne Park Church, Belfast, has just held a very successful sale in aid of the women's department of Overseas Missions. Mrs. Fred Thompson presided and the sale was declared open by Dr. Margaret Foster, who gave an interesting and moving account of missionary activities and things as she had known them in her own personal experience. The sale realised £108, being £20 in advance of the previous year's total.

The work of the Central Hall in Cork depends to a considerable extent upon the help received from the ladies' work department of the two Methodist congregations of the city. Mrs. T. Watts is the president of this department, and under her leadership a very successful sale of work has just been held, the proceeds being devoted to the work of the Central Hall and to Overseas Missions. The Rev. John England presided at the opening ceremony, and Mrs. Faris declared the sale open.

Mr. R. B. Alexander, one of the most active and loyal members of the Methodist Church in Belfast, has consented to add to his many other duties the work of senior circuit steward of the Ballymacarrett Circuit without, of course, severing his connection with the Knock Circuit, where he is one of the leading officials. Newtownards road Church, which is the headquatrers of the Ballymacarrett Circuit, has the largest seating capacity of any Methodist Church in Ireland. The superintendent of the circuit is the Rev. R. M. L. Waugh, M.A., B.D.

Dr. Hutchinson, the only son of the Rev. W. W. Hutchinson, of Sutton, the popular superintendent of the open-air work of the Methodist Church in Ireland, has purchased a medical practice at Scunthorpe, Lincolnshire, and is settling there.

MISS ENA MOON ON IRISH PLAYS

Last Saturday night's interview on the Dublin wireless programme brought Miss Ena Moon, who is playing in "Peter Pan" at the Theatre Royal, to the microphone. Miss Moon referred to Irish players and plays in London, and said that she had been thrilled by the acting of Sean O'Casey's "Silver Tassie" and by the play. Irish acting, she thought, brought a partly "fey" quality into the theatre of London, a quality which was a noticeable contribution to the growth of art.

Miss Moon recalled the occasion of her previous visit to Dublin, when she played in "The Good Companions," and was given a "lovely reception." It was flattering, she said, and a great privilege for a young actress to play before an Irish audience.

VICTORIA JUBILEE MASONIC ANNUITY FUND

The stated meeting of the Governors of the Victoria Jubilee Masonic Annuity Fund will be held on Wednesday next, the 1st January, at 4.30 p.m., in Freemasons' Hall, Molesworth street, when the report of the scrutineers of the ballot for the election of ten annuitants will be read and the names of the successful candidates declared.

A VISIT TO THE ZOOLOGICAL GARDENS

The cast of "Peter Pan," Sir J. M. Barrie's play, which is being staged at the Theatre Royal this week, visited the Zoological Gardens yesterday as the guests of the Royal Zoological Society of Ireland. Miss Ena Moon, who plays the part of Peter, was, unfortunately, confined to bed with a cold and unable to be present, but most of the other members, including Mr. Harry Welchman and Miss Dinah Sheridan, were there, and a few enjoyable hours were spent looking at the animals and wandering round the grounds.

Dr. Ferrar welcomed the guests on behalf of the Society.

WORLD TRADE IMPROVEMENT

WHAT GENEVA FIGURES SHOW

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

GENEVA, Sunday.

A rise in world trade—and an 8 per cent. increase in the value of British exports—is revealed by figures comparing trade during 1935 and during 1934 now published in the League of Nations' Monthly Bulletin of Statistics.

The gold value of world trade rose by 2.5 per cent. during the third quarter of 1935, the figures state, compared with the total for the same quarter of 1934. For the same period the volume of world trade shows an increase of 1.3 per cent.

There was an especially sharp rise in the gold value of trade during October last, the bulletin observes. This was partly a result of the rise in gold prices of some important commodities.

Measured in terms of national currencies the value of imports increased between October, 1934, and October, 1935, by 37 per cent. in the United States and in Belgium; by 25 per cent. in Soviet Russia, 18 per cent. in Australia, 12 per cent. in Canada, 6 per cent. in the United Kingdom, and 2 per cent. in the Union of South Africa.

Imports decreased by 2 per cent. in the Argentine and Japan; by 4 per cent. in Germany and France; by 7 per cent. in Switzerland, and by 23 per cent. in China (excluding Manchuria).

The value of exports in October, 1935, compared with the corresponding month of 1934 was higher by 49 per cent. in Egypt; by 41 per cent. in Belgium, 26 per cent. in Canada, 20 per cent. in South Africa, 17 per cent. in India and Japan, 8 per cent. in the United Kingdom, 7 per cent. in the United States and Germany, and 1 per cent. in Switzerland.

Exports were lower by 1 per cent. in Soviet Russia, 5 per cent. in Australia, and 13 per cent. in France.

NATIONAL HOSPITAL FOR CONSUMPTION

Christmas Day was celebrated in the Royal National Hospital for Consumption for Ireland, Newcastle, County Wicklow, in a manner that was most enjoyable, and was appreciated by the patients.

In the morning the various religious services in the hospital church were attended by large numbers. The celebrants were the Rev. Canon Long, M.A., Newcastle, and the Rev. Father Crunnion, C.C., Newtownmountkennedy.

The hospital was gaily decorated throughout. Dinner was served, with everybody in the highest spirits, and was much enjoyed by all present. Afterwards a dance was held, which was attended by Dr. Hannon (Resident Medical Superintendent), Dr. Scott and Miss Kennelly (Lady Superintendent).

The arrangements for the day were carried out with marked efficiency by Miss Kennelly (Lady Superintendent), Sister MacAleer (Assistant Matron), the staff sisters, and the nurses of the hospital.

Everything was done to make the day as cheerful as possible.

FOREIGN MAILS

The days of posting in Dublin during the coming week for the despatches of the principal overseas letter mails are indicated below:—

To-day—U.S.A., Canada, Bahamas, Bermuda, Ecuador, Costa Rica, Colombia, Panama, Leeward Islands, Japan, *via* Cobh; Palestine, Malta, *via* London.

Wednesday — Australia, Ceylon, Aden, India, Iraq, Dutch East Indies, Malaya, Egypt, Palestine, East Africa, Hong Kong, Philippine Islands, French Indo-China, *via* Marseilles; Madeira, Mauritius, Nyasaland, Portuguese East Africa, *via* Southampton.

Thursday—South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, *via* Southampton; Canada, Newfoundland, *via* Glasgow.

Friday—Egypt, Palestine, *via* Naples.

Saturday — U.S.A., Canada, Jamaica, Cuba, Mexico, *via* Cobh.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS FOR THE SAILORS

Sailors in the Port of Dublin, who were away from home on Christmas Day, were visited on their ships by the Port Missionary (Mr. Charles E. Stewart), who brought them a hearty invitation to spend the day at the Dublin Sailors' Rest, North Wall (British Sailors' Society), which was open at 4 o'clock, for games, billiards, etc., provided free. Christmas music and carols were sung, and at 5 o'clock a real Christmas dinner was served of turkey, ham, plum pudding, etc., on tables beautifully decorated with flowers and crackers. About fifty officers and men from the ships sat down. Alderman Hubbard Clark (the Free State Director of the Society) made a cheery speech of welcome to the visitors from England, Scotland, Wales and foreign lands.

Afterwards a splendid concert and variety entertainment was given till 10 o'clock. Many well known artistes contributed to the pleasure of the evening, including the Misses E. Dagg, Parkes, E. Stewart, Messrs. Chris. Butler, B. Aplin, J. Darby, N. Buchanan, A. McCaughey and R. Manley (conjurer). The little "Baby" Stella Kirwen delighted the men with her fancy dances. During the evening gifts of cigarettes and matches were distributed, and refreshments, minerals, tea, fruit, etc, were provided.

Votes of thanks were given to the ladies who arranged and served the dinner, to the artistes and the city firms who sent gifts. Each seaman on leaving received a useful woollen scarf or a pair of socks. All went away expressing their appreciation of the happy Christmas Day spent in Dublin.

NEW GOVERNMENT BUILDING DESIGN

The winner of third prize in the competition for best design for new Government buildings in Dublin was Miss Eleanor Grace Butler, a student of the School of Architecture, University College, Dublin, and daughter of Mr. R. M. Butler A.R.H.A., F.R.I.B.A., 32 Merrion square, Dublin.

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BRYAN O'LINN SCORES

Another Success for Delay at Leopardstown

THE good luck associated with the opening day of the Leopardstown meeting as regards the weather was even more pronounced on the occasion of the concluding afternoon's sport, which was carried through under well-nigh perfect conditions for the period of the year. There was again a splendid attendance, a due reward to Mr. F. Harold Clarke for all the anxieties and trouble entailed in carrying through a meeting which in the early part of the week looked a remote possibility.

The successes of Northern-owned horses are always popular, and, when Mr. Archie Willis's Delay followed up his win of the Maiden Hurdle Race on Thursday by getting home in a close finish with Argental and Corrib Lady for the Three Years Old Hurdle Race, the owner was the recipient of many congratulations. The three placed horses finished very close together, and it was not surprising when it was announced that an objection had been lodged on the grounds of boring. This, however, was overruled, and Delay thus accomplished the exceptional feat of winning two hurdle races while still a three years old.

BROOD MARE WINNERS

Those who had been at the last Naas meeting and seen how well Philip's Fancy ran in the race won by Rattle Up were not slow to show their appreciation of this form, and Mr. F. More O'Ferrall's mare was made a strong favourite for the Shankill Selling Hurdle Race. The daughter of Prince Philip fully justified the confidence reposed in her, for, leading throughout, she won in comfortable style from Old French and Flower of the West, and was then bought in for 100 sovs. It was a remarkable achievement for a mare who had been to the stud and produced Phylactery, a two-year-old winner this season.

Another brood mare, Lady Barney, was to the fore in the Tower Hurdle Race, which she won from a big field. Most of Lady Barney's previous exploits had been in steeplechases, but she won this good class hurdle race in approved style for her sporting owner, Mr. T. O'Roarke, who knows how to take the ill luck which inevitably must sometime come into the sport in much the same way as he does the brighter spots.

A PROMISING JUMPER

One generally looks for some promising young steeplechasers among the field for the Silverpark Maiden Steeplechase, and, if on this occasion there were not many likely to be heard much of in the future, the winner, Bryan O'Linn is certainly the exception. A fine jumper, this four-year-old son of Loch Lomond, who was bred in the South of Ireland by Mrs. Crofts, won in very convincing style, and both Terracotta and Noble Tipp, who followed him past the post, are sure to be heard of later. Another that ran remarkably well was Royal Danieli, who finished fourth in a race in which five of fourteen runners came to grips.

AMATEURS TO THE FORE

Linby Hall, having profited by his experience when beaten by Cheraboshina on Thursday, jumped the fences in far better style in the Sandyford Steeplechase, and, leading throughout, was never headed. He was ridden by Mr. M. J. O'H. Macardle, who has come to the forefront of amateur riders in surprisingly quick time. Another capable amateur rider, Mr. H. J. Delmege, scored a ready victory on Brown John in the Stillorgan Flat Race. Details :—

1.25—**TOWER YEARS OLD HURDLE RACE** of £50. Second £5; third £2. 1½ m.

Mr A. Willis's b. g. DELAY, by Knight of the Garter—Linger Lucie, 11-5
M. C. Prendergast 1
Mr. R. H. Walker's ARGENTAL, 10-9
F. E. McKeever 2
Mrs. T. J. Costelloe's CORRIB LADY, 11-0
D. Connors 3
Mr. Jos. McGrath's The Ace, 11-0
W. T. O'Grady 0
Mr. D. Malone's Nanki Poo, 10-9 ...J. Grogan 0
Mrs. J. Nolan's The Pauper, 10-9 ...W. Maher 0
Mr. J. Kearns's Jolly Toper, 10-4 ...L. Murray 0
Mr. T. K. Laidlaw's Kirkogue, 10-9 ...B. Curran 0
Mr. T. O'Roarke's Irish Eve, 10-9 ...J. McNeill 0
Mr. J. J. Parkinson's Pathe Gazette, 10-4
P. Russell 0
Mr. T. J. Taaffe's Puckona, 10-4 ...E. Dempsey 0
(Winner trained by C. Brabazon.)

Betting—6 to 4 agst. DELAY, 3 to 1 Corrib Lady, 5 to 1 The Ace, 100 to 8 Argental and Puckona, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 4/6; places, 2/6, 8/6, 3/-.

On settling down, Corrib Lady made the running from Delay, Puckond, Argental, Jolly Toper and Kirkogue, to the last hurdle, where Delay came on from Argental and Corrib Lady to win by one length; half a length. The Pauper was fourth, Irish Eve fifth, Nanki Poo sixth, and The Ace seventh. Time—3 mins. 11 3-5 secs.

An objection against the winner for boring at the last flight of hurdles was overruled.

1.50—**SHANKILL (S.) HURDLE RACE** of £50. Second £5, third £2. 1½ m.

Mr. F. More O'Ferrall's ch. m. PHILIP'S FANCY, by Prince Philip—Louvois Lady, a. 10-13 ..... E. M. Quirke 1
Mr. C. McLaughlin's OLD FRENCH, a. 11-2
J. Gibbs 2
Mr. J. A. Mangan's FLOWER OF THE WEST, 5, 10-0 ..... D. Connors 3
Mr. A. Nolan's Desia's Heir, 6, 11-9
T. S. Doyle 0
Mr. E. S. Dowling's Silverissa, 5, 11-6
J. McCarthy 0
Mr. E. Delany's Boinne-na-Brugh, a, 10-8
T. Regan 0
Mr. W. H. Wightman's Reprint, 4, 10-7
Jas. Doyle 0
Mr. R. Montgomery's Battlin, 4, 10-0
Mr. A. Rodgers 0
(Winner trained by R. More O'Ferrall.)

Betting—5 to 4 on PHILIP'S FANCY, 3 to 1 agst. Silverissa, 100 to 8 each Old French and Flower of the West, 20 to 1 each Desia's Heir and Reprint, 33 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 3/6; places, 2/6, 11/-, 5/6.

Battlin fell after half a mile, and Philip's Fancy made the running from Silverissa, Old French, Desia's Heir and Flower of the West, with Boinne-na-Brugh next, and, retaining the lead from Old French and Flower of the West, with Philip's Fancy won by four lengths; ten lengths. Desia's Heir was fourth, Reprint fifth, and Boinne-na-Brugh sixth. Time—3 mins. 8 4-5 secs.

The winner was bought in for 100 sovs.

2.15—**TOWER HURDLE RACE** of £50. Second, £5; third, £2. 2 m. 75 yds.

Mr. T. O'Rourke's b. m. LADY BARNEY, by Martin Lightfoot—Lady May, a. 11-2
J. McNeill 1
Mr. P. McCavana's PUCKABOO, 4, 11-0
T. Regan 2
Mr. John Jackson's GREEK SCHOLAR, 6, 9-11
W. Maher 3
Mr. O. Fitzpatrick's Kildonan's Hope, 4, 11-9
R. Dowling 0
Mrs. Croft's Sir Jonah, a, 11-13 W. T. O'Grady 0
Mr. W. J. Kelly's Knight of the Mist, a, 11-8
A. Delaney 0
Mr. T. Plunkett's Little Ant, a, 11-10
J. McCarthy 0
Mr. C. J. Pope's Embattle, 5, 11-7
F. E. McKeever 0
Mr. J. J Parkinson's Stand Off, 6, 10-2
P. Russell 0
(Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—4 to 1 each agst. Kildonan's Hope and Little Ant, 5 to 1 Puckaboo, 100 to 14 LADY BARNEY, 100 to 12 each Sir Jonah, Embattle and Stand Off, 20 to 1 Greek Scholar or any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 15/-; places, 4/-, 4/6, 14/6.

Little Ant made the earlier running from Embattle, Stand Off, Knight of the Mist and Sir Jonah, to the straight, where Lady Barney headed Greek Scholar and Puckaboo to win by 24 lengths; half a length. Embattle was fourth, Sir Jonah fifth, Little Ant sixth. Time—4 mins. 16 4-5 secs.

2.40—**SILVERPARK (M.) STEEPLECHASE** of £250. Second, £5; third, £2. 2 m. 175 yds.

Mr. James O'Brien's b. g. BRYAN O'LINN, by Loch Lomond—Strathlay, 4, 11-0 H. Holmes 1
Capt. G. L. Hastings' TERRACOTTA, 5, 11-6
T. Regan 2
Mr. F. W. E. Gradwell's NOBLE TIPP, 6, 11-1
Mr. M. J. O'H. Macardle 3
Mr. R. Laidlaw's Fenian, 6, 11-6 ... W. Rea 0
Mr. J. G. McKeever's Airey Girl, 6, 11-1
E. Dempsey 0
Mr. J. R. Macomber's Jaquette, 5, 11-6
F. E. McKeever 0
Miss A. Ryan's The Sweep, 5, 11-6
A. P. Thompson 0
Mr. J. J. Parkinson's Sheela Ray, 5, 11-1
T. F. Maher 0
Mr. M. P. Minch's Nell's Belle, 5, 11-6
P. Powell 0
Mr. A. Willis's Coolnahay, a, 11-6
M. Prendergast 0
Miss M. R. Laidlaw's Shanter, 4, 11-0
R. Curran 0
Mrs. E. McGrath's Cherry Pip, 4, 10-9
J. Barrett 0
Mr. H. C. McNally's Royal Danieli, 4, 11-0
J. Costello 0
Mr. T. J. Taaffe's Carefree, 4, 11-0 J. McNeill 0
(Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—3 to 1 each agst. BRYAN O'LINN and Royal Danieli, 10 to 1 each Jaquette, Nell's Belle, The Sweep, Terracotta and Coolnahay, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 7/-; places, 4/-, 6/6, 17/-.

Coolnahay fell at the first fence, and Royal Danieli led from Fenian, Bryan O'Linn, Jaquette and Cherry Pip, and Bryan O'Linn coming on from Terracotta and Noble Tipp won by four lengths; half a length. Royal Danieli was fourth. Fenian, Sheela Ray, Shanter and Cherry Pip fell.

3.5—**SANDYFORD (H.) STEEPLECHASE** of £70. Second, £7; third, £3. 2 m. 175 yds.

Hon. B. Plunket's b. g. LINBY HALL, by Linby —Little Hall, a, 10-8 (car. 10-9)
Mr. M. J. O'H. Macardle 1
Mr. W. W. Ashe's SHACK, a, 9-8 .....W. Maher 2
Mr. P. J. Leonard's CULTRUMER, a, 9-11
F. E. McKeever 3
Mr. H. J. Ussher's Armoured Prince, 6, 11-8
W. T. O'Grady 0
Miss L. Delmege's Fairy Wings, a, 10-6
J. Gibbs 0
Mr. J. Kirwan's Sicklebar, 5, 10-7
A. P. Thompson 0
(Winner trained by Mr. Arnott.)

Betting—6 to 4 agst. Shack, 5 to 2 Armoured Prince, 4 to 1 Cultrumer, 6 to 1 LINBY HALL, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 16/-; places, 8/6, 3/6.

Linby Hall made the running from Cultrumer, Armoured Prince, Shack and Sicklebar, and retaining the lead from Shack and Cultrumer Linby Hall won by six lengths; same, Armoured Prince was fourth, Sicklebar fifth. Time—4 mins. 27 2-5 secs.

3.30—**STILLORGAN FLAT RACE** of £50. Second, £5; third, £2. 2 m. 75 yds.

Mr. H. J. Delmege's br. g. BROWN JOHN, by Desborough—Lady Poland, 6, 11-7 Owner 1
Mrs. N. Carroll's INVER COTTAGE, 4, 11-7
Mr. T. Hyde 2
Mr. E. Trainor's HOT PRINCE, 5, 12-2
John Doyle 3
Mr. W. W. Ashe's Lough Solak, 4, 11-7
Mr. P. Sleator 0
Mr. E. Brophy's Newtown, 4, 11-7
Mr. E. Parkinson 0
Capt. F. ffrench Davis's Coolcairn, 4, 11-7
Mr. T. Lynch 0
Capt. J. A. Hornsby's Mountain Breeze, 4, 11-2
Mr. M. J. O'H. Macardle 0
Mr. E. W. Hope Johnstone's Hunkie Dorie, 5, 11-7 ..... Mr. P. J. Lenehan 0
Mr. J. P. McAuley's Brighter Pinion, 4, 11-2
(Owner 0
Mr. J. A. Mangan's Pukkeroo, a, 11-7 Owner 0
(Winner trained by Owner.)

Betting—Evens Inver Cottage, 4 to 1 agst. BROWN JOHN, 5 to 1 Lough Solak, 6 to 1 Mountain Breeze, 10 to 1 Hot Prince, 33 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 13/-; places, 3/6, 2/6, 5/-.

Mountain Breeze set the pace to Hunkie Dorie, Coolcairn, Lough Solak, Pukkeroo, Brown John and Inver Cottage for halfway, when Brown John drew to the front, followed by Inver Cottage and Hot Prince, and won by four lengths; six lengths.

TOTE DOUBLE—Lady Barney and Linby Hall. Dividend (5/-), £10. 12½ winning tickets. Pool £109; day's pool, £1,095 6/-

NEWBURY RESULTS

1.0—**THEALE (S.) HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE** of 150 sovs. 2 m. 50 yds.

Captain J. W. Bridges's ch. g. WILD LANCER, by Shining Spear—Wild Wink, a, 11-8
E. Williams 1
Mr. C. J. Forbes's PALAIS DE DANSE, 6, 11-13 ..... T. Cullinan 2
Mr. C. A. Lister's LANDMEAD, 6, 10-10
T. Isaac 3

Also ran—Sydney (Mr. R. Petre), Relation (Mr. P. Cohen), Eagle's Pet (W. Davies), Mountain Image (J. Silvester). (Winner trained by L. Anthony.)

Betting—2 to 1 agst. Palais de Danse, 9 to 4 WILD LANCER, 6 to 1 Relation, 7 to 1 each Sydney and Landmead, 100 to 7 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 6/-; places 2/9, 3/-, 3/9.

Won by six lengths; three-quarters of a length. Relation was fourth, Mountain Image was the only other to finish. Winner sold to Captain J. B. Powell for 280 guineas.

1.30—**YATESBURY (S.) HURDLE** of 150 sovs. 2 m.

Colonel F. T. Halse's b. g. DUREX, by Solidenus —Skidaw, 3, 10-7 ..... J. Marshall 1
Mr. B. Warner's WITCH DOCTOR II., a, 12-3
G. Pellerin 2
Mrs. Livingstone's ROBIN DAWE, 3, 10-7
M. Feakes 3

Also ran—Redford (J. Fawcus), Uncanny II. (R. Burford), Manner (J. Baxter), Irish Delight (Mr. J. Dennistoun), Morella (Mr. G. Burry), The Heir (Captain R. Harding), The Kite (F. Sargeant), Gains (Mrs. F. Walwyn), Fiori (D. Martin), Letsgo (S. Ingham), Aston Abbots (F. Maxwell), Eager Gal (K. Piggott), Where's George (R. Haylor), Tragic Venture (E. Knight), Hot Water (J. Jones). (Winner trained by W. Nightingall.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. Witch Doctor II., 7 to 2 Letsgo, 11 to 2 DUREX, 7 to 1 Robin Dawe, 8 to 1 each Eager Gal and Redford, 100 to 8 Hot Water, 100 to 7 Uncanny II., 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 13/9; places 4/-, 3/6, 3/6.

Won by four lengths; one length. Redford was fourth and Tragic Venture last. Winner bought in for 360 guineas.

2.0—**READING STEEPLECHASE** of 400 sovs. 2 m. 50 yds.

Sir F. Towle's ch. g. AIRGEAD SIOS, by Werwolf—Orna, 5, 12-8 ..... S. Magee 1
Mrs. Hannay's LION COURAGE, a, 11-2
P. Carey 2
Mrs. W. C. Earl's PEDIGREE, 4, 10-7
G. Archibald 3

Also ran—Ten-pleberg (G. Bell), Knuckleduster (G. Wilson), Porte Bonheur (Mr. D. Daly), Straight Larch (M. Feakes), Hillwood (R. Burford), Drumcrow (W. Parvin), Drimmore Lad (E. Williams), Fairyhill (E. C. Brown), Snowden (T. Isaac). (Winner trained by Tabor.)

Betting—4 to 1 agst. AIRGEAD SIOS, 6 to 1 each Drimmore Lad and Knuckleduster, 13 to 2 Straight Larch, 7 to 1 Fairyhill, 8 to 1 each Lion Courage and Ten-pleberg, 100 to 8 each Drumcrow and Pedigree, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 8/-; places, 4/3, 11/3, 11/9.

Won by six lengths; two lengths. Fairyhill was fourth and Hillwood last. Snowden, Ten-pleberg and Porte Bonheur fell. Drumcrow did not complete the course.

2.30—**DIDCOT HANDICAP HURDLE** of 250 sovs. 2 m

Mr. W. C. Edwards's ch. h. BUNKAWAI, by Essexford—Lady Brazen, 5, 11-0, S. Ingham 1
Mr. G. Todd's PRIDDY HILL, 6, 10-6
J. Baxter 2
Mr. S. McGregor's THIMBLE, 4, 10-2
Capt. R. Harding 3

Also ran—Canandaigua (D. Morgan), Wenceslas (G. Wilson), Sir Troops (S. Magee), Kentapelle (C. Hook), Independence (J. Marshall), Enchanter (J. Hamey). Captain's Choice (G. Archibald) (Winner trained by P. Thrale.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. BUNKAWAI, 5 to 1 Kentapelle, 6 to 1 Wenceslas, 7 to 1 Canandaigua, 10 to 1 each Priddy Hill and Thimble, 100 to 8 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 7/-; places, 3/5, 5/9, 7/-.

Won by three lengths; same. Canandaigua was fourth and Sir Troops last.

3.0—**JUVENILE HURDLE** of 150 sovs. 1½ m.

Mr. P. Johnson's ch. g. PROPHECY, by Beresford—Star in the East, 10-0 ..... W. Crump 1
Mr. T. Richards's LADY KITT, 11-3
J. Marshall 2
Mr. A. E. Berry's PEACEFUL WALTER, 10-5
S. Magee 3

Also ran—Thimble Rig Jimmy (C. Hook), Star Son (E. Williams), Flying Admiral (H. A. Jones), Shandygaff (Hamey), Lothario (G. Archibald), Lady Pamela (G. Pellerin), Evander (S. Ingham), Star of Æon (D. Butchers), Magic Feet (T. Elder), Jack of the Vale (F. Maxwell), Transcendental Gold (C. Mulligan), Rhodeus (P. Morgan), Gleamer (J. Fawcus). (Winner trained by Winter.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Gleamer, 100 to 30 Lady Kitt, 4 to 1 Lothario, 7 to 1 Rhodeus, 10 to 1 each Evander and Transcendental Gold, 100 to 8 Thimble Rig Jimmy, 20 to 1 PROPHECY or any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, £21 1/-; places, 60/-, 8/3, 16/3.

Won by three lengths; two lengths. Rhodeus was fourth and Shandygaff last.

3.30—**UNITED SERVICES HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE** of 175 sovs. 3 m.

Capt. C. B. Harvey's b. g. SANTICK, by Santair (Grey Tick II., a, 11-11 Capt. R. Moseley 1
Mr. J. B. Snow's DELACHANCE, 6, 12-7
Mr. F. Walwyn 2
Mr. J. V. Rank's COOLEEN, a, 12-6
Mr. P. Herbert 3

Also ran—Broadwas (Capt. R. Harding), Sans Souci IV. (Mr. E. C. Paget), Gay Devil (Capt. Brownhill), Brave Cry (Mr. C. Furness), Primrose Kwiehl (Capt. C. Cheney), Double One (Capt. Lillingston), Irish Knight II. (Mr. Dennistoun). (Winner trained by Delaney.)

Betting—100 to 30 agst. Sans Souci IV., 7 to 2 SANTICK, 4 to 1 Delachance, 5 to 1 Cooleen, 10 to 1 Broadwas, 100 to 7 any other.

Tote (2/-)—Win, 8/6; places, 3/6, 3/3, 7/3.

Won by two lengths; six lengths. Brave Cry was fourth and Primrose Knight last.

TOTE DOUBLE (10/- stake)—Airgead Sios and Prophecy—£1,140 6/-; pool, £1,267; one winning ticket.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS

Daily Sketch Double — Cahirciveen and Sans Pride.

THIS WEEK'S RACE MEETINGS

IRELAND.

Wednesday—Baldoyle.

ENGLAND.

Monday—Newbury.
Tuesday—Cheltenham.
Wednesday and Thursday—Manchester.
Friday and Saturday—Haydock Park.
Friday and Saturday—Gatwick.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS

Stayers' Handicap Hurdle, Leicester—Wise Man.
Earlstown Handicap Hurdle, Haydock Park—North Gill.
Plumpton Steeplechase, Plumpton, January 8, and Burstow Amateurs' Steeplechase, Lingfield Park, January 15—Peritale.

BALDOYLE RACES,

NEW YEAR'S DAY MEETING.
First Race, 1.15. Last Race, 3.20 p.m.

Three Steeplechases, One Flat and Two Hurdle Races.
(122 ENTRIES.)

ADMISSION CHARGES.
Members' Enclosure—Gentlemen 17/6; Ladies, 7/6.
Grand Stand—Gentlemen, 10/-; Ladies, 5/-.
Transfer Badges from Grand Stand to Members' Enclosure—Gentlemen, 7/6; Ladies, 2/6.
RACE CARDS, 6d. EACH.

TRAIN ARRANGEMENTS.
Trains from Amiens street at 11.45 and 12.20 (Special). Return Fares: First Class, 1/3; Third Class, 10d. Special Bus Service from Eden and Burgh quays to Baldoyle from 12 noon.

ENGLISH RACING GOSSIP

Grand National Conditions : This Week's Big Races : Airgead Sios's Impressive Win

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Sunday Night.

AT the present time we are passing through a period of the mildest sort of winter weather, with almost steady rain, and rivers overflowing their banks in many parts of the country, so that the only present danger to racing is the flooding of low-lying courses, like Gatwick, where there is a two days' fixture at the end of this week, and fog, which might affect Manchester's new year meeting on Wednesday or Thursday.

All traces of snow and frost have entirely disappeared, but the weather experts predict a return of a period of intense cold soon. However, we must make the best of what we have.

It was by no means unpleasant at Newbury yesterday, and there seems nothing to interfere with racing there to-morrow, when Golden Miller is due to make his first appearance of the season in a steeplechase. It is a two miles affair, the Andover Handicap, and Miss Paget's horse has to carry 12st. 10lb in what will be very heavy going, for it was heavy yesterday, and there has been a great deal of rain to-day. Owen Anthony, his trainer, stated definitely yesterday that it was intended to run him, though were the going very bad indeed it would not be surprising were he withdrawn at the last moment.

Golden Miller's Future

I am not too sure that he can win in any circumstances with this weight, for he has nearly three stones to give away to some of the others, and several very useful horses will take the field against him. I do not think defeat would cause him to lose much caste—that is, if he ran really well throughout, for the magnitude of his task is realised by most people.

A victory for him under this weight would make him a very strong favourite again for the Grand National—8 to 1 is about the best price which is to be had against him now—though I do not for a moment suppose that, no matter how well he does through the next few months and goes fit and well to Liverpool, he will be at the absurd price of 2 to 1, at which he started last March.

He is to be entered for the Cheltenham Gold Cup as well as the Grand National, but plans about his appearance at both places will be in abeyance until shortly before the National Hunt Committee's meeting.

The Gold Cup and the National, as well as the other events at Cheltenham and Liverpool, were advertised in the *Racing Calendar* last Thursday and close on Tuesday week. The conditions of the Grand National are identical with those of last year. Everyone hopes that next year some of the stipulations about qualifying for entry will be removed.

Irksome Conditions

They are extremely hard on the owner of several young horses. I know a horse that is a great jumper and has already been round Liverpool, where he just missed a place, that is being taken to Newbury to-morrow to try and get first, second or third, which will be his last chance of qualifying before the race closes.

When it is possible—by a set of unusual circumstances, I admit, but still possible—to qualify a horse that has never jumped a fence in public for the Grand National, it is surely unfair to make the conditions irksome to certain owners.

If the Liverpool people slightly lost their heads after the Easter Hero *debacle* and the sixty-six runners in Gregalach's year, the temperature should have become normal again, and the lack of necessity for the qualification clauses recognised.

By the way, I see that Mr. Crocker Bulteel, whose father bought Manifesto from the late Mr. Dyas, and won his second Grand National with him, has been appointed Clerk of the Course at Liverpool, where he has been the handicapper since the death of Mr. E. A. C. Topham. After Mr. Topham's death, Mr. D. M. Wood, who had been his chief assistant for many years, was appointed Clerk of the Course there, and made himself very popular.

The Victory 'Chase

As well as the second half of the Newbury meeting, which is being carried over the week-end, there is some excellent racing this week, for on Tuesday there is a good meeting at Cheltenham, when the Stayers' Handicap Steeplechase, a race which qualifies for entry in the National, will be run for. On Wednesday and Thursday there is the important New Year meeting at Manchester, when the Victory Steeplechase will be run on Wednesday, and the Victory Hurdle on Thursday.

I anticipate a strong field for the steeplechase, even though the top weight, Brienz, who won two years ago will be absent. That does not say that George Beeby will be without a runner, for he has three others—Montclair, Delapaix and Delaglace—in the race, and I shall not be surprised if he has not a fancied candidate from one of these. Then we shall have the remarkable old horse, Windermere Laddie, who will be twelve years old on Wednesday, and has taken to steeplechasing this year with all the keeness of a young 'un; indeed, with more zest than some of them.

He has paid the penalty of success by being given 12st. 6lb., and who shall say that this is too much? Indeed, if Coulthwaite fancies him, he will be a very popular fancy, in spite of his weight.

Tolvadden (who won twelve months ago), Jackal, Another Band, Le Fortium, Dusky Troubadour, Lestebridge (second last January), Cranford, St. Andrew, Red Park and Alvarado are all likely runners at the moment of writing, so we shall have one of the strongest fields that has been seen in the race for some years.

Fancy for Red Park

I must confess to a mild regard for the chance of Red Park at the weights, 10st. 6lb. Disappointing as he has been in England, he did win his last race, a three mile steeplechase at Wolverhampton, without a flaw. Russell, who has him, trains on the Lincolnshire coast, and the sands were open to him when other horses could hardly leave their yards through the frost. It should be remembered that he ran well and got round in the "Lancashire" last April. A chance is given him here of living up to the good reputation he had in Ireland.

As Free Fare is not likely to run for the Victory Hurdle on the second afternoon, I regard the race as a reasonably good thing for Mrs. Whitelaw's new purchase, Cactus II.; for this French-bred horse is very smart, indeed.

There were some bright spots in the Newbury racing yesterday, and the brightest of them was provided by a five-year-old Irish novice, a son of Werewolf, called Airgead Sios. Cockney bookmakers resented his name, of which they could make neither head nor tail, but when they were told it was the equivalent of "ready money"—I am open to correction about the accuracy of the translation—they brightened up a good deal and liked it better.

Better than Santa Klaus

Airgead Sios was bought after he had run second to Flowrew in the Drogheda Plate at Punchestown by Victor Tabor on behalf of the well-known hotelier, Sir Francis Towle, and this was his first appearance in England, and a better first appearance could not have been made. His reputation had preceded him, for he was reported a good deal better than another in the same ownership, the recent winner, Santa Klaus, so he started favourite, and those who backed him could keep smiling through the race.

Sean Magee let him go to the front from the start, and at the water, which is the second obstacle in the Reading Steeplechase, he put in a tremendous jump. It was no wild bound into the air, either, but a calculated, careful jump, as if he were determined to take no chance and get well clear. Then he raced along in front, jumping beautifully—seldom have we seen a novice jump better than he did on this course, which is no easy one. Fairyhill, who was a very speedy horse on the flat, lay up with him, but had run himself out before they came to the last fence.

Knuckleduster also kept well there, jumping well, but he began to drop back. Clearing the last fence as well as he had cleared the first, Airgead Sios ran home an easy winner from that very smart hurdler of last season, Lion Courage, and Pedigree.

The Scottish horse, Templebeg, fell, and several of them were pulled up. We can afford to welcome Airgead Sios with both arms, for it is a long time since a young 'chaser has made such a good impression.

The first of the steeplechases—a selling event—was won by Wild Lancer, from Ivor Anthony's stable, who, after he had easily beaten a slightly better favourite in Palais de Danse was sold to Captain Powell for 280 gns.

In the third steeplechase—the United Services' Handicap—the favourite, Sans Souci IV., fell with Mr. "Ned" Paget, the stock-broking amateur rider, two fences from home, and, breaking a fetlock joint, was destroyed

A Good Performance

This race was fairly easily won by Captain Moseley on a good young horse, Santick, who won the Broadway Novices' Steeplechase at Cheltenham last March, and here beat Delachance by two lengths, though he had to be ridden out to do so.

The Essexford horse, Bunkawai, who has had periods of unsoundness, was made favourite for the Didcot Handicap Hurdle, where his good speed on the flat enabled him to gain an easy victory from Priddy Hill and Thimble. Canandaigus, who was so smart last season, ran a good race under a big weight, and only just lost third place.

Fred Winter supplied the 20 to 1 winner of the Juvenile Hurdle in Mr. Percy Johnson's Prophecy, who paid nearly 200 to 1 in the totalisator.

Selections

If Golden Miller cannot give the weight away in the Andover Steeplechase to-morrow, what will beat him? The most likely one to my mind is TAOS, a very smart two-mile 'chaser.

I anticipate the absence of Kellsboro' Jack and Royal Mail from the Lambourn Handicap Steeplechase, and that the Wroughton stable will rely on Kellsboro' Jack's sister, Cahirciveen, who may not be good enough. Buckthorn, Lynton, Scotch Wood and Deminkoff are likely ones, and the best of them may be BUCKTHORN.

The Berkshire Hurdle, in which John James, who has been jumping well at Newmarket, may make his first appearance over hurdles, should be won by TINKER, who missed a Kempton Park engagement.

GALTEE MORE.

NEWBURY PROGRAMME

TO-DAY'S SELECTIONS

Wroughton Hurdle—**True Count.**
Wilts Steeplechase—**Ferrans.**
Lambourn Steeplechase—**Brienz** (nap).
Berkshire Hurdle—**Sans Pride.**
Slough Hurdle—**Sailor's Quest,**
Andover Steeplechase—**Taos.**

TO-DAY'S DOUBLE.

Brienz and Taos.

1.0—WROUGHTON SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. 2 m.

	Age. st lb.
SAXON (Mr. R. B. Warner) ..... Gwilt	5 12 7
ARTIST'S LORE (Mr. A. Gibson) Freake	5 12 5
UNCANNY II. (Mr. G. H. Bostwick)	
..... A. Anthony	6 12 3
FAITHFUL GARRY (Mr. E. G. Pease)	
..... Pease	a 11 11
TROUTWAL (Mr. G. S. Langlands)	
..... G. Langlands	a 11 9
TUCK UP (Mr. H. Dyke Dennis)	
..... D. Harrison	a 11 9
VIVACIOUS (Mrs. C. Jones) ... Gilbert	a 11 9
KING'S CROSS (Mr. R. B. Thorburn)	
..... Thorburn	4 11 9
DICK BUSH (Mr. E. Mumford-Cooke)	
..... W. Payne	a 11 8
TRUE COUNT (Mrs. B. M. Hobbs)	
..... V. Hobbs	a 11 7
BALTIC (Mr. G. S. Langlands)	
..... G. Langlands	6 11 7
OLIVER'S CORNER (Mr. R. E. Morel)	
..... Roberts	5 11 3
RED MONEY (Mr. J. M. Gosden) Gosden	5 11 3
BIG BAD WOLF (Mr. F. C. Kiddle)	
..... Newey	4 11 2
SHEERNESS (Mr. T. Rayson) ..... Fail	a 11 2
HAREM GUARD (Capt. R. M. Thompson)	
..... Thompson	a 11 1
BULAND DAR (Mr. H. Hedges) Hedges	a 11 1
MARVELLOUS (Mr. J. R. Anthony)	
..... J. Anthony	6 11 0
ARBADIE (Mr. W. Hutchinson) Hedges	6 10 13
ARTABANUS (Mr. C. S. Green) ... Cox	a 10 12
LOSALOT (Mr. G. Wilson) ... G. Wilson	a 10 12
GREAT LAD (Mr. F. Skeens) W. Smyth	6 10 12
ICY KISS (Mrs. D. P. Dick) ..... Dick	a 10 11
REVELRY (Mr. E. R. Purdon) Macnee	4 10 10
GALLOPING SHOES (Mr. C. F. H. Friday) ..... Friday	6 10 10
LAND PAINTER (Mr. R. Petre)	
..... Hemsworth	4 10 8
DRUNK AND GAY (Capt. A. L. C. Fuller) ..... Powell	4 10 7
MACLINTOCK (Mr. H. T. L. Young)	
..... H. Young	5 10 6
NORWOOD HILL (Mr. W. Maiden)	
..... G. Todd	5 10 5
MONK'S HEATH (Dowager Lady Penrhyn) ..... Bridgman	4 10 2
ALLEY (Miss R. Bridge) ..... Pendarves	6 10 0

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Betting Forecast.
002	VIVACIOUS ..... Mr. F. Walwyn	11/4
0	KING'S CROSS ..... F. Maxwell	20/1
013	DICK BUSH ..... Mitchell	6/1
000	BALTIC ..... M. Feakes	20/1
010	RED MONEY ..... S. Magee	10/1
000	BIG BAD WOLF ..... J. Hamey	20/1
320	SHEERNESS ..... Mr. Dennistoun	100/6
000	HAREM GUARD	20/1
000	ABBADIE ..... Hickey	20/1
000	ARTABANUS ..... J. Brown	20/1
304	GREAT LAD	100/8
044	ICY KISS	8/1
000	LAND PAINTER ..... Owner	20/1
030	MACLINTOCK ..... F. Sergeant	20/1
000	NORWOOD HILL ..... J. Baxter	20/1
021	FAITHFUL GARRY	7/2
401	TRUE COUNT	9/2

1.30—WILTS SELLING STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. 2 m. 50 yds.

	Age. st lb.
HINDUSTAN (Mr. W. C. Edwards)	
..... P. Turale' a	12 3
TWO ROYALS (Mr. S. Long)	
..... G. Langlands a	12 3
IRISH THORN (Mr. J. Moon) Forwood a	12 3
CHALICE (Major C. Moss) T. R. Leader a	12 3
FIREWORK (Mr. H. Blyth) ..... Tyson a	12 3
FIANNA II. (Mr. Joe Pidcock) ...Bissill a	12 3
RENDER (Capt. J. B. Powell) ...Powell a	12 3
FERRANS (Mr. A. Smith-Bingham)	
..... Beeby a	12 3
GENERAL CRACK (Mr. W. A. White)	
..... Holman a	12 3
SYDNEY (Mr. J. R. Williamson)	
..... Hemsworth a	12 3
SMOKY MOKE (Mr. P. Woodland)	
..... Woodland a	12 3
SANTA LUZ (Mr. F. E. Peck) F. Gurney	4 11 6

Form.	Probable Starters and Jockeys.	Forecast.
103	TWO ROYALS ..... M. Feakes	5/1
000	IRISH THORN ..... Capt. R. Moseley	100/6
122	FIANNA II. ..... Owner	9/4
311	FIREWORK ..... E. Williams	8/1
311	FERRANS ..... J. Moloney	7/4
002	GENERAL CRACK ..... C. Brown	10/1
140	SYDNEY ..... Mr. R. Petre	100/6
403	SMOKY MOKE ..... T. McNeill	11/2
353	SANTA LUZ ..... F. Gurney	100/6

2.0—LAMBOURN H'CAP STEEPLECHASE of 250 sovs. 3 m.

	Age. st. lb.
KELLSBORO' JACK (Mrs. F. A. Clark)	
..... G. Langlands	6 12 2
ROYAL MAIL (Mr. Thomas) ...J. Anthony	a 12 7
BRIENZ (Mr. Beeby) ..... Owner	a 12 2
LUCKPENNY (Mrs. Hollins) ...W. Payne	6 11 12
REMUS (Mr. A. E. Berry) ..... Gosden	a 11 12
OEIL DE BOEUF (M. de San-Miguel)	
..... Barrett	a 11 11
DELACHANCE (Mr. J. B. Snow) ...Beeby

RUGBY FOOTBALL

CLONTARF'S FINE WIN

Backs far too Fast and Clever for Lansdowne

CLONTARF ..... 11 LANSDOWNE 3

CLONTARF, the only unbeaten side in Ireland, had little difficulty in maintaining that record at Lansdowne road on Saturday when they defeated Lansdowne by 1 goal from a try, 1 penalty goal and 1 try to 1 try. The margin in points does not do adequate justice to the Northsiders, who were much the better side in every phase of the play, but then, in fairness to Lansdowne it must be said that they were below strength, and at the last moment had to reshuffle their back division.

It was one of the most impressive displays the Clontarf club have given this season, and though they are in the stiffest half of the Senior Cup draw, they must, on the season's form, stand a very good chance of winning the trophy. Behind the scrum Clontarf were particularly good, and G. J. Morgan, P. J. Quinn, J. F. Moran, F. G. Moran were all at the top of their form. The first named, indeed, played a brilliant game, and his long accurate passing to Quinn, who was a very valuable partner, made the winning backs a most dangerous combination. The brothers F. G. and J. F. Moran made an excellent wing, and the former's try after a run more than three-parts the length of the field, was quite a feature. A hard working pack was best represented by J. P. Cavanagh, J. O'Dwyer and P. H. Mooney. M. B. Williams was not quite as good as usual in the last line of defence.

R. H. Pratt, who played at centre three-quarter, and J. J. Mooney were the best of the Lansdowne backs, but the division never worked smoothly together. E. J. Lightfoot had a few good runs on his wing, and C. Murphy fielded well at full-back. St. J. Pike was the most noticeable forward, and next to him came T. Sinnott, G. McDermott and J. C. Powell.

Clontarf did all their scoring in the first half. Ten minutes from the start Williams landed a penalty goal. Then came Fred Moran's try, the result of a very brilliant run. This was converted by Quinn, and before the interval a clever round of passing culminated in Mooney crossing for a try, which Williams just failed to convert.

The only score in the second period came to Lansdowne, when Pratt raced over for a try after Crowe had made a good run. Mooney failed to convert. Teams:—

Lansdowne—C. Murphy; E. J. Lightfoot, Dr. M. P. Crowe, R. H. Pratt, N. Burke; J. J. Mooney, T. A. O'Reilly; Rev. St. J. Pike, T. P. Sinnott, M. K. Ryan, J. C. Powell, G. McDermott, T. C. Byrne, G. A. Robertson, L. Scott.

Clontarf—M. B. Williams; F. G. Moran, J. F. Moran, D. J. Lanigan, J. Flannery; G. J. Morgan, P. J. Quinn; M. J. O'Dwyer, J. Curran, J. Tyson, P. H. Mooney, P. Guiney, J. Glass, J. Coffey, P. J. Cavanagh.

Referee—Mr. G. Collopy.

McMAHON OUTSTANDING FOR BLACKROCK

BLACKROCK COLLEGE 20
MONKSTOWN 6

Monkstown met with another reverse on Saturday, when Blackrock College beat them at Williamstown by 14 points (a goal from a try 2 penalty goals and 3 tries) to 2 penalty goals. Both teams were below strength, and Monkstown opened strongly. Wall landing a penalty goal after ten minutes' play. Blackrock soon replied, McMahon kicking a penalty goal to equalise, and soon the same player landed another to put Blackrock in the lead. Near half-time a Blackrock rush ended in Cullen crossing under the bar for Redmond to convert.

In the second period McMahon went to outhalf, and improved the attack. He cut through finely and gave to Hampson, who put Sheppard over far out, Redmond's kick going wide. Monkstown pressed, and Wall brought off another penalty goal, but then the Blackrock backs put in the best movement of the game. The ball went along the line to Sheppard, who in-passed for McMahon to cross at the right, but the scorer failed to improve. In the last few minutes Kent scored for Blackrock from a forward rush, but Crean failed to improve. Teams:—

Blackrock College—P. Crean; J. English, J. J. Hampson, L. B. McMahon, J. Sheppard; W. Redmond, J. C. Barry; J. Westby, B. McCourt, J. Hooper, N. Martin, P. D. Shaffrey, R. Ballagh, J. Cullen, J. F. Kent.

Monkstown—B. Bergin; E. Harf, G. Craig, P. E. Stuart, M. Fleming; T. H. D. Wall, S. Cruise; C. O'Connor, S. Mullan, A. Mullan, H. Boylan, F. Fox, W. Millar, F. H. C. Salmon, J. E. McCourt.

Referee—Mr. R. Henchy.

BECTIVE DRAW WITH GARRYOWEN

GARRYOWEN ..... 6 BECTIVE 6

Garryowen held Bective Rangers to a drawn game at the Markets Field, Limerick, on Saturday. It was a hard, fast match, in which the teams gave a convincing display, but before Bective settled down Garryowen were two scores up. P. Sullivan, the home scrum-half, crossed for a good try, five minutes after the start, but Matthews failed to convert. A little later Garryowen went further ahead, when McElligott, on the right wing, was put in possession, and running strongly went over far out. Walshe failed with the goal kick. Bective replied fifteen minutes later, when Doyle burst through from half-way and crossed for a great try, which Morris did not improve on. In the second period Bective made the scoring level, when Dwane grounded far out. Morris again failed with the goal kick.

NARROW WIN FOR INSTONIANS

INSTONIANS ..... 6 MALONE 3

After a hard forward battle at Balmoral showgrounds Instonians defeated Malone on Saturday by a penalty goal and a try to a try.

Earlier in the season Instonians had won easily, but the Malone pack played splendidly on the heavy ground, and they got possession in the scrums, showed plenty of life in the loose, and got across quickly in defence of their own line. The Malone backs, however, showed no great skill in attack; for Victor Hewitt often bottled up the Malone out-half, and when the three-quarters did get possession they were prone to kick. They lost a score by injudicious kicking; for the Instonians' full-back was able to start a passing movement which found the Malone defence out of position. Instonians were without A. F. Turner, G. M. McCombe and R. B. Hunter, but S. Dobbin, of Queen's, was in the centre, and played splendidly. R. W. Hewitt figured at scrum half, and played very well. He had a thankless task behind beaten forwards. In the second half the Instonians' forwards showed more fire in the loose, J. Megaw, the Richmond forward, and S. Walker being concerned in most of their attacks. It was Walker who obtained the only score of the first half—a penalty goal, landed from about forty yards range. Twice before that he had been close with long-range efforts from both sides of the field. Malone drew level in the second half, when Majury cross-kicked, and Walmsley handed on to Campbell to go over for a try. This was not converted, but persistent attacks by the Instonians' backs gave them the winning score in the second half. A defensive kick was fielded by Morrow, the Instonians' full-back, at midfield, and he started passing, Smith sending Wilson over at the corner. Walker was unable to convert.

ONLY ONE TEAM IN THE GAME

NORTH ..... 31 KNOCK 4

North of Ireland won as they liked against Knock at Hawthornden road, the home team being overwhelmed to the extent of 3 goals, 1 dropped goal, 4 tries to a dropped goal.

The North forwards were lively in the open, and while the Knock pack played extremely well, their backs were not nearly so polished as those of their opponents, particularly in the second half. The defence of North was also stronger, and the wing forwards and half-backs were superior. Knock did quite well for part of the first half, in the early stages of which they led by a point, but later there was only one team in the game. Cook completed a dribble by Jack Adrain when he scored an unconverted try, but then Wylie dropped a goal to give Knock the lead. Not for long, however, for Malcolmson took a reverse pass from Jack Adrain to score and add the extra points. Malcolmson scored again and converted before half-time.

In the second half Knock tried the experiment of withdrawing a forward to stiffen the defence, but the extra back was of little avail, and Smellie (2), McComb and Adair scored tries, one being converted by Jack Adrain, while Malcolmson dropped a goal.

JUNIOR RESULTS.

Blackrock College 2nd 25, Monkstown 2nd 0.
Wanderers 2nd 46, Old Wesley 2nd 0.
Lansdowne 2nd 25, Bective Rangers 2nd 5.
Clontarf 2nd 3, C.Y.M.S. 3; Palmerston 2nd 12, St. Mary's 3; Nass 22, Imperial Tobacco 3; Skerries 8, Balbriggan 0.

MINOR RESULTS.

Old Belvedere 2nd 12, R. and S.P.U. 2nd 0; Wanderers 3rd 17, Old Wesley 3rd 3; Old Firm 12, Suttonians 5; Wanderers 3rd A 19, Old Belvedere 3rd 0; St. Mary's 2nd 21, Palmerston 3rd 3; Clontarf 3rd B 35, Y.M.C.A. 2nd 0.

GOLF

CLUB NOTICES AND RESULTS

HOWTH.

Saturday—Medal, 9 holes, strokes.

CLONTARF.

Wednesday—Crawford Cup. Saturday—Fourball, 9 holes, bogey.

CASTLE.

Scotch foursomes (nine holes)—First nine: J. Martin (8) and E. O'Haire (11), 32½; H. Cairns (7) and N. Phillips (9), 34; B. G. Wylie (5) and M. F. Hopkins (15), 34. Second nine: G. B. Butler (5) and F. C. Connolly (10), 32½; R. W. Jeffares (5) and J. D. Hollinger (7), 33; S. M'Allister (8) and J. McKenna (11), 33½; J. J. Coogan (5) and D. O'Leary (9), 33½.

HERMITAGE.

Saturday Cup (final)—L. King French (9), 5 up; J. P. Byrne (3), 2 up; P. Slavin (10), all square; T. P. Ryan (11), 1 down.

KILLINEY.

Sweepstakes (nine holes)—G. B. Malcolm and R. Ross Todd, 3 up; J. Turner-Huggard and J. M. Mitchell, 2 up; J. J. Byrne and P. J. Delany, C. Duffin and J. O'Dea, 1 up.

Saturday—Hamper.

BRAY.

Medals (nine holes)—Class I.: A. N. Murphy (12), 2 up. Class II.: H. J. Byrne (20), all square.

DUN LAOGHAIRE.

Ladies.—January 2nd—Medal, strokes. Arrange opponents. January 1st-March 1st—Eclectic competition. See particulars in club-house.

BILLIARDS

IRISH CHAMPIONSHIP DATE ALTERED

At a meeting of the Irish Amateur Billiards Association Committee it was decided to again alter the date of the Irish Snooker and Billiards Championships to start on January 26th and finish on February 10th. The closing date for entries will now be January 20th. The venue is at O'Connell Hall, O'Connell street.

UNIVERSITY BACKS TOO STRONG

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE 16
PALMERSTON 0

University College defeated Palmerston at Clonskeagh by 3 goals (1 penalty) and a try to nothing on Saturday. The winners played a man short and finished with only thirteen men, A. Bailey retiring with a nose injury in the middle of the second half. However, the forwards held their own quite well, the Palmerston pack not playing with their wonted dash.

The match was well contested, and the superiority of the College backs won them the game. Palmerston frequently got possession, but the ball came out to the three-quarters too slowly to allow them to operate.

Toner, the University full, was sound, and was better than Hughes, who was not up to his usual form. A. Bailey made some good runs, but the best of the three-quarter line were the wing men, Bradley and Scott, both of whom showed fine speed. The halves, J. Bailey and McAllister, outplayed the opposing pair, Bailey being in particularly good form. Ryan, Curran and Dwyer were most noticeable in the front rank.

Dowds and Buttimer were the pick of the Palmerston backs, and Hudson, Keane and Thompson showed up well in a pack which sorely missed the services of J. H. Mullins.

Casey opened the scoring, A. Bailey converting. Then A. Bailey scored a fine try following clever passing, and Scott kicked the goal. Murphy soon afterwards scored an unconverted try. In the second period Palmerston launched several strong attacks, but the defence was sound, and a penalty goal by A. Bailey was the only score in this period. Teams:—

Palmerston—C. J. Hughes; N. J. Smith, R. J. Buttimer, F. Dowds, A. G. McClean; R. J. Walsh, C. Connolly; A. Buggy, J. C. Cochrane, T. Eustace, E. G. Flynn, D. M. Hudson, J. Keane, J. Brooks, J. H. Thompson.

U.C.D.—E. Toner; T. Bradley, A. Bailey, H. Murphy, F. Scott; V. McAllister, J. McAllister; J. Ryan, H. Doyle, J. Crowe, J. Murray, F. Dwyer, W. Casey, D. Curran.

Referee—Mr. E. Mulhern.

A SOUND DISPLAY BY WANDERERS

WANDERERS ..... 17 OLD WESLEY ... 3

Sound in all departments, Wanderers fairly earned their decisive win over Old Wesley at Donnybrook on Saturday, when the score in their favour was a goal from a try, 2 penalty goals, and 2 tries (17 points) to 1 try (3 points). The Old Wesley forwards played with such liveliness that they set up several strong attacks in the early stages of the game, but Wanderers were the first to score. Ridgeway running through for a great try. Before half-time McIlroy, following a splendid run by Good, scored a try for Old Wesley.

The game had been going in favour of Wanderers as half-time approached, and it was according to expectation when they piled on the score in the second half. During this period J. D. Robertson and Wellwood got tries for Wanderers, Ridgeway converting one of these, and kicking two penalties, while Old Wesley made no further response. The best of the Wanderers' pack were Graves, McCormick, and J. D. Robertson; Preston and A. B. Robertson were effective halves.

Ridgeway was the most thrustful back on the field, and Steede a sound full-back. McIlroy, Glenn, and Warwick showed up in the Old Wesley pack, and Good and Minstear were hard and effective workers amongst the backs. T. G. V. Stephenson, a younger brother of G. V. Stephenson, the old Irish captain, figured at right wing for Old Wesley, but he did not get much to do.

Teams:—

Wanderers—G. A. Steede; F. Webster, R. B. Wellwood, E. C. Ridgeway, T. Shepherd; A. B. Robertson, G. C. Preston; C. R. Graves, J. D. Robertson, W. J. McCormick, L. M. Halligan, L. Ross, T. Tronson, H. D. Sterling, J. Ryan.

Old Wesley—G. Minstear; H. W. Good, R. D. Magill, C. W. McNamara, T. G. V. Stephenson; W. B. Prescott, P. G. Patton; D. E. J. Glenn, J. W. G. Warwick, P. L. Van Aardt, G. H. McIlroy, S. Hall, W. G. Taylor, A. F. McConnell, V. Maxwell.

Referee—Mr. D. C. Pickeman.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES

Wanderers Senior Schoolboys v. Lansdowne Senior Schoolboys. Lansdowne road, 2.30.

Wanderers Junior Schoolboys v. Lansdowne Junior Schoolboys. Lansdowne road, 2.30.

Wanderers Seniors—Grey; Odlum, Merrick, Laird, Hemingway; Rooke, Ryan; Khan, Griffith, Hollinshead, Holland, Haig, Chance, K. Murphy, D'Arcy.

Wanderers Juniors—Torrance; Leech, L. Harvey, Warrington, Hamlet; A. Bestic, Lilburn; Cole, Williams, Hamilton, Martin, Woods, A. Griffin, Laurie, Vard.

HOCKEY

GOOD VICTORY FOR WANDERERS

IMPERIALS' FORWARDS FAIL

PEMBROKE W. ... 4 IMP. TOB. CO.'... 2

Imperial Tobacco Co. are a greatly improved team this year, but they are not yet quite up to the same standard as the best Leinster sides, and they never looked like overcoming Pembroke Wanderers at Crumlin on Saturday.

Both teams were efficiently served by their defences, but the Pembroke forwards moved with more precision, Martin and Mooney combining nicely on the right, and continually menacing the opposing goal. The other forwards were not up to the same standard, but they were, all the same, better than anyone in the Imperials' attack, which appeared to have little method, and was easily held. Wilson was in his best form, and Sanderson did tremendous work at centre-half, but the better side won.

Intelligent backing-up by Doyle gave him the first goal after Jones had saved from G. Martin. The equaliser came from Davis, but Little netted from a corner, and G. Martin gave Wanderers a 3-1 lead at the interval. Power got the fourth after some even play in the second half, and near the end Hoey got Imperial's second. Teams:—

Imperial Tobacco Co.—C. Jones; C. Sayers, L. C. Wilson; T. Tobin, V. Sanderson, P. Brennan; R. Bouchier, A. Brennan, G. Davis, W. Hoey, J. Leonard.

Pembroke Wanderers—N. McNeill; C. J. Little, P. J. Dolan; S. J. Doyle, R. T. Rafter, A. C. Trapnell; O. V. Mooney, R. P. Martin, G. S. Martin, R. Power, P. Webster.

ROVERS' FORWARDS AT THEIR BEST

THREE ROCK ROVERS 5 Y.M.C.A. 2

Three Rock Rovers had a well-deserved win by 5 goals to 2 over Y.M.C.A. at Londonbridge road on Saturday. They set a fast pace from the start and kept it up till well on in the second half, and the forwards, who combined well, were too much for the Y.M.C.A. defence, breaking through in good passing movements. Pilkington gave excellent support, while the wing halves backed up well.

For three-quarters of the game the Y.M.C.A. line was ragged and easily held in check, but for the last quarter they went all out, McConnell especially showing up well. The halves were outplayed by Rovers' attack, and the backs too often left Worrall to face several opponents in the circle.

Rovers' first goal came after two minutes' play when Y.M.C.A. backs were slow to clear a centre from Leonard, and Cairns sent in a hard drive. A movement between Cairns and McVeagh ended in Russell scoring with a push shot, and McVeagh got the third after a melee in the circle. Soon after resuming, Cairns ran on his own from half-way and, drawing Worrall, netted the fourth, and McVeagh ended good passing between himself and Cairns to complete Rovers' score. Smith, from a cross from Fry, and McConnell, from a corner, were the scorers for Y.M.C.A. Teams:—

Three Rock Rovers—G. D. Findlater; J. F. Mahony, W. P. MacDonagh; C. A. Gamble, R. Pilkington, N. A. Kinnear; R. J. Leonard, B. Roantree, J. E. Cairns, T. G. McVeagh, R. H. H. Russell.

Y.M.C.A.—A. Worrall; J. Taylor, G. Paltridge; J. Hussey, F. Cochrane, C. D. Colfer; N. McConnell, E. Smith, W. Fry, W. Brewster, J. Williams.

Umpires—Messrs. T. S. C. Dagg and J. S. McMahon.

LAPSES BY THE DALKEY DEFENCE

RAILWAY UNION ... 6 DALKEY 1

The Dalkey defence, which is usually very sound, had an off day at Park avenue against Railway Union, and it was chiefly due to their lapses that Railway Union won by 6-1. Lea, the goalkeeper, presented Byrne with two goals, while faulty marking by the fulls and halves enabled the winners to secure at least two more soft goals.

Dalkey made a promising start, and, following several corners, Duffy gave them the lead. Subsequently they had just as much of the play, but two goals by Leopold and Byrne gave Railway an interval lead. Nothing would go right for Dalkey on resuming, and Byrne, O'Donoghue, Hennessy and Sweeney supplemented the Railway total. Teams:—

Railway Union—W. C. Leopold; V. Sully, M. C. O'Donoghue; A. Knight, L. C. Sweeney, J. Brennan; C. Leopold, C. Sully, R. J. Byrne, H. Knight, W. E. Hennessy.

Dalkey—H. Lea; S. Haines, R. Prescott; R. Jones, A. King, R. Flewitt; M. Bunyan, D. Dunn, J. Duffy, T. O'Malley, K. Kenna.

Umpires—Messrs. H. Bollard and F. Hirst.

ULSTER RESULTS

Irish Cup.—First Round—Queen's University 1, Y.M.C.A. 0; Cliftonville 2, Banbridge 1; East Antrim 6, Magee College, Derry, 2; South Antrim 2, Antrim 1; Derry Y.M.C.A. 4, Portrush 1.

Irish Junior Cup.—First Round—North Down 2nd 4, Antrim 2nd 1; Civil Service 0, Portrush 2nd 0; Cliftonville 2nd 5, East Antrim 2nd 1; Parkview 4, Mossley 1; St. Donard's 2, Y.M.C.A. 2nd 1; Newry Olympic 1, Royal Ulster Constabulary 0; Dunmurry 0, Wheatfield 0.

MUNSTER RESULT.

Senior League—Wanderers 2, Civil Service 0.

WOMEN'S HOCKEY

THE SENIOR TRIAL MATCHES

RIGHT BACKS FAIL TO PLEASE SELECTORS

"B" ..... 5 "A" 4

There was little between the sides that represented "A" and "B" in the Senior Trial at Templeogue on Saturday. Miss N. Moore (Maic's) was unable to turn out, and her place was taken by Miss Lennon (Muckross).

The scoring of nine goals revealed a weakness in the defences, which was particularly noticeable at right full-back. Not one of the four players impressed the selectors, who have introduced a newcomer in Miss O'Brien (Pembroke Wanderers) for the final trial.

The forwards, however, all gave a really good display.

In the first half play was most interesting. The combination and speed of the "A" forwards often had the opposition mixed up. The "B" forwards also did well, but were up against the stronger defence. The "A" team at the interval led by 3-1.

At the interval the selectors made so many changes that it was almost impossible to know which was "A" and which "B," but the change strengthened the "B" team.

In the first half Misses Martin (2) and Rowland-Scored for "A," and Miss Byrne for "B." In the second half Misses Byrne (2), Boyle and Cosgrave scored for "B," and Miss Quigley scored for "A."

"C" ..... 4 "D" 1

Play in the second trial at Templeogue was very scrappy. In the first half the "C" forwards were much too strong and scored four against one. At the interval the selectors changed over the forward lines, and, although play was more even, the quality of the hockey was about the same.

Misses Carroll, Cullen and McKay (2) scored for "C" and Miss Conan for "D."

For the winners Miss Robinson (Newcomes) was sound at full-back. Miss Walker (Muckross) was easily the pick of the half-backs, although Miss Guinan (Sheilmartin), also did well. Of the forwards Miss Cullen was the best. Miss Gibson (Pembroke Wanderers) played a good game in the "D" goal, especially in the closing stages, and Miss Dilworth (Monkstown) showed to advantage at back. Miss Ennis (Muckross), though a trifle slow, was prominent in the half-back line, with Miss Delahunt (Loreto Past) by far the best of the forwards.

Senior Club Match—Old College 2nd 5, Glenageary 2.

Junior Matches—Glenageary 3rd 2, Bray 2nd 2; R. and S.P.U. 4, Old Rutland 1.

FINAL TRIAL TEAMS

After the matches on Saturday, in which "C" team beat "D" team by 4 goals to 1, and "B" beat "A" by the same margin, the following sides were chosen for the final trial, which will be played on Saturday next, at a venue to be announced later:—

Leinster—Misses Parsons (Pembroke Wanderers); A. Moore (Maids), V. Mahony (Maids); Huet (Maids), Whiteside (Pembroke Wanderers), Mrs. Fox (Old College); Misses N. Moore (Maids), Cosgrave (Pembroke Wanderers), Byrne (Pembroke Wanderers), Mrs. Gamble (Maids), Miss White (Muckross).

The Rest—Misses Gibson (Pembroke Wanderers); O'Brien (Pembroke Wanderers), Sowman (Optimists); O'Neill (Newcomes), Strahan (Old College), Walker (Muckross), Boyle (Dublin University), Delahunt (Loreto Park), Martin (Old College), Cullen (Old College), Matheson (Old College).

GAELIC GAMES

EXCITING HURLING FINAL

SERVICE AND BANBA TO MEET AGAIN

(BY PAT'O.)

CIVIL SERVICE ... 5-2 BANBA 4-5

Presented by the Keating Branch of the Gaelic League for competition among Dublin's junior hurlers, the Corn Ceitinn trophy has proved a big attraction. Twenty-four clubs entered, and interest was sustained throughout. For the final at Parnell Park yesterday both teams were at full strength, and the match was played at a fast pace from start to finish. The teams were level with two minutes to go, when Maher got the odd point of 33 for Banba; but on the stroke of time P. O'Crowley balanced for Civil Service, and the replay will bring a record attendance.

Banba were far the heavier side, and attacked at once. Maher had a fast point and Wall a goal and a point before Civil Service settled down. Buckley centred, for Desmond to race in for Civil Service's first goal, and the former turned in the second. Both goals were visited in rapid succession, and McNamara was tested twice. He cleared well, and Donegan crossed a ball to the area for Buckley to double through a third goal. Half-time—Civil Service 3 goals (9), Banba 1 goal 2 points (5).

BANBA'S FINE RALLY

Though playing against a strong sun, Civil Service put in some very skilful hurling on change of ends. Donegan placed well for Maher to point. Banba returned, and Bruen's drive was well doubled by Maher for Banba's second goal. Driscoll narrowed the gap before J. Crowley put through for a long-range goal. When Desmond had a fifth goal for Service they had a commanding lead of 16 points to 9.

Banba staged a remarkable rally in the last quarter. Driscoll and Maher goaled, and Maher set the teams level with 16 points each with five minutes to go.

It was a thrilling finish, with hurling up to senior standard. Close on time Maher lifted a ball over for what looked like the winning point, but Civil Service burst upfield, and Crowley landed a free above the cross-bar for the balancing point.

Civil Service—McNamara (goal); Moylan, O'Reilly, Wallace, Moloney, Mallins, Meehan, Crowley (2), Donegan, O'Neill, Barry, O'Meara, Desmond, Buckley.

Banba—O'Brien (goal); Fitzpatrick, McDermot, McCarthy, Gleeson, Dollard, Shearin, O'Driscoll (2), Bruen, Maher, Roche, Wall, Campion, Ryan.

COURSING

KINGDOM CUP FOR COMING EAGLET

SUCCESSFUL MEETING AT TRALEE

The sport provided on the concluding day of the Co. Kerry club's meeting at Tralee was up to the high standard of the two preceding days, and the executive deserve the warmest congratulations on the all-round success of their fixture. The long card was gone through with commendable promptness, and interest never flagged.

The third round of the Kingdom Cup was marked by the defeat of the first and second favourites, Editor's Tidet and Kilnaglory Leader, by Coming Eaglet and Valiant Cutlet respectively, and the pair went on to contest the final, the former winning. Coming Eaglet, a County Limerick dog, ran in the nomination of Mr. P. Ryle, of Tralee. Details:—

KINGDOM CUP—For 32 all-ages. Winner, £100 and Cup presented by Sir Maurice O'Connell, Bart.; second, £30; two dogs, £10 each; four dogs, £4 each.

THIRD ROUND.

Valiant Cutlet beat Kilnaglory Leader.
Sporting Captain a bye, Going Cutlet drawn.
Nosario beat Thershanahan.
Coming Eaglet beat Editor's Edict.

FOURTH ROUND.

Valiant Cutlet beat Sporting Captain.
Coming Eaglet beat Nosario.

DECIDER.

Mr. P. Ryle ns. f. d. Coming Eaglet (Eagle's Beak—Coming Costume) beat Mr. J. Daly ns. bd. d. Valiant Cutlet (Mutton Cutlet—Molcskin Peggy).

TRIAL STAKE—32 dog puppies.

Fourth Round—Galeside Silver beat Finuge Shoreman; Dromore Hill beat Raging Rogue.

Decider—Mr. J. Keane's Galeside Silver (Deceside—Silver Treasure) beat Mr. J. E. Godfrey's Dromore Hill (Feale Hill—Sally Leaf).

TRIAL STAKE—22 bitch puppies.

Fourth Round—Mattie's Den beat Moss Grumble; Septem a bye.

Decider—Mr. D. M'Mahon's Mattie's Den (Saturday—Sunshine Mary) beat Mr. J. Sugrue's Septem (Lawyer's Fee—Segesta).

BALLYBEGGAN STAKE—32 two-course all-ages.

Third Round—Peppermint Rock beat Seattle Pirate; Faithful Cutlet beat Ashtown Prince; Leading Osgur beat Harvest Reaper; Halloween beat Marie Mor.

Fourth Round—Faithful Cutlet beat Peppermint Rock; Leading Osgur beat Halloween.

Stake divided between Miss N. O'Flynn's Faithful Cutlet (Eagle's Beak—Light House Road) and Mr. T. Lenihan's Leading Osgur (Osgur—Midnight Chimes).

PARK STAKE—32 one-course all-ages.

Third Round—Laurel Rock beat Blue Loafer; Nordic Race beat Nice Chap; Lisarboula Park beat Dungarvan Observer; Sand Lark beat Droumerine Rose.

Fourth Round—Nordic Race beat Laurel Rock; Lisarboula Park beat Sand Lark.

Decider—Mr. F. O'Leary's Nordic Race (Service Kit—Leantine) beat Mr. J. West's Lisarboula Park (Ward Park—Bell Bird).

GAME PROTECTION STAKE—28 two-course all-ages.

Second Round—My Cherry beat Curly Locks; Ard-na-Lee beat Young Resonance; Rap and Call beat Athletic; Good Day Jack beat Romar; Ard-na-Rhi a bye. Cri Berrima drawn; Cabin Hunter beat Healey Dell; Odoric beat First Earl.

Third Round—My Cherry beat Ard-na-Lee; Rap and Call beat Good Day Jack; Ard-na-Rhi beat Cabin Hunter; Odoric a bye.

Fourth Round—My Cherry beat Rap and Call; Ard-na-Rhi beat Odoric.

Stake divided between Mr. P. Murphy's My Cherry (Deemster—Sweet Cherry) and Mr. M. O'Mahony's Ard-na-Rhi (Ard-na-Cree—Speeding Bullet).

SURPLUS STAKE—16 two-course all-ages—Decider: Mr. J. Tagney's Mythical Glide (Lock Lough—Brazen Zu) beat Mr. M. O'Connell's Derryvin Captain (Fiddle Player—My Easter).

BADMINTON

PEMBROKE VISIT CORK

A team from Pembroke Club visited Cork during the Christmas holidays and played the senior team of the local club. The match resulted in a win for the visitors by six matches to two. Details (Pembroke players first):—

G. Trapnell and I. Webb beat F. South and G. Elmes—15-12, 15-1.

J. Browne and J. McCarroll beat Tucker and Williams—15-5, 15-13.

Misses G. and E. Carty beat Misses Hannan and J. Harman—8-15, 15-8, 15-10.

Misses P. and N. Conway beat Mrs Tucker and Miss Palmer—15-12, 15-2.

Trapnell and Miss E. Carty lost to South and Miss Hannan—11-15, 7-15.

Browne and Miss G. Carty lost to Williams and Mrs. Tucker—15-6, 12-15, 7-15.

McCarroll and Miss N. Conway beat Elmes and Miss Palmer—9-15, 17-16, 15-11.

Webb and Miss P. Conway beat Tucker and Miss Harman—15-2, 15-8

The team then travelled to Carlow next day and played a match there, again winning by six matches to two.

WRESTLING

DAN O'MAHONY BEATS THE "MAN MOUNTAIN"

CHICAGO, Saturday.

Dan O'Mahony successfully defended his world's heavy-weight title against "Man Mountain" Dean, the giant from California, here last night. The bout lasted 21 mins. 22 secs. O'Mahony applied his famous "Irish whip" hold twice in rapid succession, and followed up with a body press for a fall.

After the first few minutes the bout became a slugging match. Dean had the better of the roughing tactics at the start, but the Irishman quickly adopted the same methods, as he found himself unable to manage his opponent's tremendous bulk.

O'Mahony gave away over six stones in weight. He scaled 16st. 11lb., and Dean 22st. 4lb.

ATHLETICS

POWDERHALL BETTING

J. Kennedy (Springfield) and J. Grant (Haddington) have been installed joint favourites for the Powderhall 130 yards sprint, to be run in Edinburgh on Wednesday and Thursday. Both men, quoted at 7 to 1, are off 10½ yards. Other prices offered were:—8 to 1 agst. C. J. Thomas (Barry) (9 yds.); 10 to 1 each W. Black (Dunfermline) (9) and P. Chester (Edinburgh) (5), last year's runner-up.

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL

A BRILLIANT RECOVERY

Dundalk Lead 5-0, but Win only in the Last Two Minutes

DUNDALK ..... 6 SHAMROCK ROVERS 5

AT Milltown yesterday. McCourt (2), McAfee, P. O'Neill, Morgan, and Donnelly scored for Dundalk; Glen (2, 1 pen.), Moore (2), and Scully for Shamrock Rovers.

Taking the game as a whole the better side won. It was a remarkable match.

Dundalk held a lead of 5-0 after half an hour, and nothing looked more likely than a rout of the Rovers.

Up to then Dundalk played splendid football; their opponents could not get going. With quick bouts of passing the Dundalk forwards created scoring chances, and if O'Neill had taken his, Dundalk would have held a bigger interval lead. Behan, also, with some fine saves, helped to keep the scoring down.

Prior to half-time, however, Rovers staged their magnificent recovery. McMahon received his first difficult shot after thirty-five minutes' play, then Powell kicked the ball off the goal line with McMahon beaten, but in the thirty-sixth minute Scully opened Rovers' scoring.

One minute after the restart Glen scored from a penalty, and a minute later Moore further reduced the lead. Rovers continued to press heavily. Moore scored again after twenty minutes, and Glen equalised after thirty-four minutes. In between the last two goals both Byrne and Reid missed open goals.

There was a great struggle for the lead in the closing stages, and two minutes from the end Donnelly gave Dundalk the goal.

With both teams showing skill, grit and stamina, it was altogether a capital match. Rovers went down with flying colours.

They were made to appear a poor team during the first half, because of the splendid quality of Dundalk's football. The latter would have submerged many teams, but the Rovers reached their opponents' standard in the second half. They were never flurried, and Dundalk had to put in an extra effort to snatch victory.

Some players earned special mention for their cleverness and resource. The goalkeepers were blameless and made many smart saves. McCourt's skill was a feature, and no one stuck it better than Glen, who inspired the Rovers. McAfee and O'Boyle were sound half-backs for Dundalk, while in flashes Kinsella compared with Glen in making openings for his forwards.

Scully particularly, and Moore were Rovers' best forwards. P. O'Neill, a Northern junior, made a promising *debut* at centre-forward for Dundalk, and the whole line played far better than in the Leinster Cup final against Drumcondra.

Shamrock Rovers—Behan; McCarthy, Burke; Glen, Blake, Kinsella; M. Byrne, Ward, Moore, Reid, Scully.

Dundalk—McMahon; J. O'Neill, Powell; McAfee, Godwin, O'Boyle; Morgan, Donnelly, P. O'Neill, McCourt, Hirst.

THE CHAMPIONS AGAIN LEVEL WITH BOHEMIANS

DOLPHIN ..... 3 BOHEMIANS 2

At Dalymount Park on Saturday. Goals by Rogers, Leonard (penalty) and Bermingham enabled Dolphin to draw level in the Free State League table with Bohemians, whose first defeat it was. Horlacher (penalty) and Menton scored for Bohemians.

Showing a return to their best form, Dolphin were worthy winners of a really good game, in which there was plenty of clever football and in which both teams lost several scoring chances.

Dolphin's success was all the more meritorious because they were in arrears after the first minute, when Horlacher was fouled and converted the penalty.

Splendid work by the Dolphin half-backs enabled the champions' forwards to attack persistently, and a cleverly-constructed movement by Leonard and Kendrick resulted in the latter centring for Rogers to head the equaliser after ten minutes. Rogers showed fine control in taking the ball past a couple of backs on several occasions, but each time his finishing was at fault, and either Cannon saved or the Dolphin centre shot wide.

Bohemians, with rather less of the play, were always more dangerous around goal, and Menton, Horlacher and Gaughran had shots saved by Dunne, whose goalkeeping was a feature.

Menton gave Bohemians the lead again from close range after getting the ball from Gaughran just as the latter was tackled.

Dolphin were easily the better team in the second half, and after ten minutes Leonard with a penalty for a foul on himself put them level.

Bohemians had one stroke of apparent bad luck. Ellis from a cross by Menton breasted the ball through in the corner. The referee signalled a goal, but Dolphin appealed, and, after consulting the linesman, the referee altered his decision.

The winning goal came four minutes from time, when Bermingham, with a grand shot from thirty yards out, hit the inside of the upright and Rogers completed the effort.

Bohemians—Captain H. Cannon; W. McGuire, J. Doyle; P. O'Kane (capt.), P. Andrews, A. Maguire; P. Ellis, S. Moore, B. Gaughran, A. Horlacher, J. Menton.

Dolphin—Dunne; Collins, Doyle; Gallagher, Watt, Bermingham; Jordan, Carroll, Rogers, Leonard, Kendrick.

POINTS FOR DRUMCONDRA

DRUMCONDRA 4
BRAY UNKNOWNS 0

At Bray yesterday. Kerr (2), John (pen.) and Jones were the scorers.

Drumcondra were clearly superior. Indeed, Clifford's goalkeeping prevented a bigger score. On the heavy ground the play was fast and keen, and the visitors, adapting themselves more readily to the conditions, had the better of it throughout.

Drumcondra were to an extent lucky in being two up at the interval. For thirty minutes Bray had as much of the play, and had their forwards combined better they might have been on equal terms. Kerr, standing unmarked, snapped up a pass from John to beat Clifford from close range for the opening score, and three minutes from half-time Dooley pulled the same player down in the penalty area, John converting the kick. Resuming, Bray put up a strong attack for a spell, but fell away after thirteen minutes, and Kerr scored the third. Seven minutes later Kerr was badly hurt in a collision and had to retire. Two minutes from time Jones secured the fourth.

Flynn was absent from the visiting team. Ernie Smith replaced him, and made a capable substitute. He was well covered by Rowe and Moore, whose keen tackling was a feature. John was the pick of efficient half-backs, who tied up Bray's forwards for most of the game. Quayle and Kerr showed speed and cleverness, while Meehan and smart on the left wing. Donnelly, however, was too well watched by Dooley. Murray and Dooley were sound backs for Bray. Excepting Hogan, the forwards showed little skill. The line requires improving.

Bray Unknowns—Clifford; Roche, Dooley; Buchanan, Neary, Murray; Bellew, Doran, Kelly, Hogan, Reynolds.

Drumcondra—E. Smith; Rowe, Moore; Kennedy, John, Jones; T. Donnelly, Quayle, Kerr, Keohane, Meehan.

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LADY wishes post. Companion Help or Housekeeper; thoroughly domesticated, good needlewoman; excellent references. Address "Z 2399, Lady," this office. 27 A

PROTESTANT Lady seeks position. Companion Help, where maid kept; recommended; state salary. Address "Z 2388, Lady," this office. 27 C

SMART young Lady, presently engaged, desires change; would go as Companion Help. Address "Z 2409, Lady," this office. 28 D

YOUNG Man, University Graduate, seeks temporary employment, Office Work or otherwise. Address "Z 2402, Man," this office. 8 28

YOUTH, aged 20, fair education, good manner, adaptable, sea experience, is anxious for work of any kind; would attend invalid gentleman. Address "Z 2422, Youth," this office.

YOUNG Man requires work as Dispatch Clerk, Porter, Warehouse Packer; hard work for good pay.—B 1861, this office. 28 B

MALE SERVANTS WANTED.

PLOUGHMAN WANTED immediately; County Monaghan; capable all farm work; R.C. Also YARD BOY, good milker, etc.; references, wages (indoor). Address "Z 2403, Ploughman," this office. 27 C

WANTED, Protestant HERD (married, with working son, preferred); thorough knowledge of cattle and sheep; must be active, and character bear strict investigation; state age, number and ages of family, wages expected (with good house, usual perquisites) and enclose copies of references, without which no notice will be taken. Address "Z 2383, Herd," this office. 23 A

WANTED, GENERAL FARM MAN; R.C.; married; good ploughman; North Co. Dublin.—B 1828, this office.

WANTED, experienced HOUSEMAN, good cook essential; unmarried; for two bachelors.—B 1867, this office. 28 X

STEWARDS AND GARDENERS WANTED.

WANTED, WORKING GARDENER; married; age, wages, discharges.—Whaley, Bloomsbury, Kells, Meath.

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MARRIED Man, no incumbrance, seeks situation, ploughman, understands machinery, general farm hand; Wife housework, daily, or laundry, good milkers; state wages, etc.—Address "Z 2426, Man," this office.

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RESPECTABLE Protestant Boy requires situation, to learn gardening; good references. Address "Z 2414, Boy," this office. 28 B

DOMESTICS WANTED.

APPLY—8 Cooks, £50 to £75; 6 maids, Parlour, 2 Housemaids, Generals.—Kennedy's, 68 Sackville st.

BETWEEN MAID—Strong GIRL REQUIRED as above for school work in Dublin early in January. Address, with copies of references, before January 4th, to "Z 2397. Betweenmaid," this office. 27 A

DININGROOM MAID REQUIRED, with some experience of diningHall work, for large school in Dublin, early in January. Address, with copies of references and wages expected, before January 4th, to "Z 2393. Diningroom Maid," this office. 27 A

DAILY MAID REQUIRED, light housework, from 9.30 to 3 p.m. Apply Martin, "Eglinton," Newgrove avenue, Sandymount. 28 D

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SEWINGMAID REQUIRED early in January for large boys' school in Dublin; a reliable (preferably middleaged) WOMAN for sewing and care of clothes, etc. Address, by January 4th, with copies of references and wages expected, to "Z 2396, Sewingmaid," this office. 27 A

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COOK WANTED, experienced, strong Woman.—Mrs. Flynn's Restaurant, 28 Fleet street. 27 A

COOK GENERAL WANTED, experienced; first class references necessary. Apply, evenings, after 7 o'clock, to Rosheen, 35 Orwell Park, Dublin. 28 D

COOK GENERAL and HOUSE PARLOURMAID WANTED for small family, Dublin. Address, copies references, age, religion, "Z 2420, Maid," this office. T

COOK GENERAL WANTED for England by Irish lady; another maid kept; wages £40. Write, enclosing papers, Mrs. Hedley, Foscombe, Ashleworth, Gloucester. 26 D

EXPERIENCED, young, R.C. COOK GENERAL WANTED. Call, after 5 o'clock, 12, Fitzwilliam place.

REQUIRED early in January, for large city school, a reliable COOK, accustomed to institutional work and numbers. Address, with copies of references and wages expected, before January 4th, to "Z 2392, Cook," this office. 27 A

THOROUGHLY experienced young COOK GENERAL WANTED, February 1st or earlier; family two; Ballsbridge; good wages; one other maid. Address "Z 2419, Cook," this office. 28 X

WANTED, COOK, SINGLEHANDED, good plain; private hotel; settled person; R.C. Apply, with copies references, Matron, 7 Islington avenue, Dun Laoghaire.

GENERALS WANTED.

A PROTESTANT young GENERAL REQUIRED immediately for Monkstown, untrained or partly trained would suit.—B 1858, this office.

BRAY—WANTED, experienced GENERAL, weekly; train fare paid Dublin.—B 1878, this office.

GENERAL MAID WANTED; good home and wages. Apply 175 Amhurst road, London, E.8. 27 C

GENERAL WANTED for business house, Midlands; plain cooking. Address, with copies of references and wages expected, "Z 2421, General," this office. 28 D

GENERAL, experienced; £24; good plain cooking, all duties; highly recommended.—B 1793, this office. 26 D

WANTED, thoroughly recommended good GENERAL, Ballsbridge district, lady's house; small washing, plain cooking; £30; second maid kept.—B 1842, this office. 27 C

WANTED, GENERAL, Sandycove; good plain cook; country girl. Apply B 1870, this office.

WANTED, Sutton, family two, strong young GENERAL; must have highest references.—B 1871, this office. 28 B

WANTED, experienced GENERAL, for city; good references; wages £24.—B 1856, this office.

WANTED, reliable GENERAL; house parlourmaid kept.—Mrs. Murphy, Coolnagloose, Inch, Co. Wexford. 28 B

WANTED, experienced GENERAL; must be a good cook and under-stand all the work; two ladies; charwoman one day weekly; small house.—B 1869, this office.

WANTED, experienced GENERAL, two adults; good plain cook, some washing; sleep in; £26. Call 27 Mobhi road, Glasnevin, after 4. 27 A

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HOUSE PARLOURMAID WANTED for England by Irish lady; good situation, wages £30. Write, enclosing papers, to Mrs. Hedley, Foscombe, Ashleworth, Gloucester. 26 B

HOUSE PARLOURMAIDS, two REQUIRED early in January for school in city, preferably with some experience. Address, before January 4th, with copies of references and wages expected, to "Z 2394, Housemaid," this office. 27 A

WANTED, HOUSEMAID, good needlewoman.—Mansfield, Barrettstown House, Newbridge, Co. Kildare. 26 B

WANTED, experienced PARLOURMAID or HOUSE PARLOURMAID; housemaid kept; full particulars.—Mrs. Dunne, Black Hall, Sallins. 28 B

WANTED, HOUSE PARLOURMAID, partly trained would suit; age, wages, discharges.—Whaley, Bloomsbury, Kells, Meath.

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WANTED, a thoroughly competent NURSE for Limerick suburb, not under 30 years, to take charge of 4 children, ages 6 years to 16 months; must have excellent references; high salary to really efficient, trustworthy applicant; agencies not considered. Address "Z 2427, Nurse," this office.

WANTED, trained NURSE; entire charge two children, 2 years, 3 years; state age, wages, references.—Provincial Bank House, Swinford, Mayo. 28 F

KITCHEN, LAUNDRY, ETC., WANTED.

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YOUNG Cook disengaged, technical training, 5 years' experience, highest references. Address "Z 2412, Cook," this office. 28 B

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COUNTRY Girl, experienced, General, country, near Dublin (South preferred).—B 1852, this office.

GENERAL seeks position with family; good plain cook; three years' reference.—B 1797, this office. 26 B

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COUNTRY Girl seeks situation, House Parlourmaid, trained, or General, small family; state wages. Address "Z 2425, Girl," this office.

YOUNG, experienced Housemaid; city or suburbs; good references.—B 1862, this office.

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EXPERIENCED Children's Maid (R.C.) wishes situation; good references, well recommended.—B 1817, this office. 27 A

TRAINED Infant's Nurse, presently engaged, seeks post, February; long experience; state salary, particulars. Address "Z 2384, Nurse," this office.

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WHY not generate your own Electric Light and Power if the necessary water supply is available? Realise now your own power is cheaper. Initial outlay only; maintenance nil. Schemes prepared and estimates free.—Robert Craig and Sons (Engineers), Ltd., Great George's street, Belfast. X

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AT Sharpley's, Baby Linen Specialists—Ladies invited to write for Catalogue Baby Linen, Accouchement, Nursery Requisites.—Nassau street, Lower Camden street. T

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DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT

SEQUEL TO RAID ON BAKERY

ACCUSED MEN REMANDED
(BEFORE MR. G. P. CUSSEN.)

Thomas Nolan, Pearse square, Dublin, and Con Redmond, Lord Edward street, Dublin, were charged with conspiracy, with unlawfully entering, on November 27 last, the bakery at the rear of 117 St. Stephen's Green and attempting to murder Francis Smyth, of 18 South Richmond street. They were further charged with assaulting Francis Smyth and by force and violence taking him away and detaining him against his will.

Mr. D. O'Donovan (Chief State Solicitor's Office) prosecuted.

Mr. T. Greene (Messrs. Roger Greene and Son, solicitors) appeared for Thomas Nolan.

Sergeant Molloy gave evidence of arrest. He said that on Friday Thomas Nolan was paraded at the Bridewell with six other men of similar appearance. He was identified by three witnesses, who were employés of Garry's bakery, as one of the men who took part in the raid on the bakery on November 27. Nolan was also identified by Mr. F. Smyth.

At another identification parade Con Redmond was identified as being one of the men who took part in the raid on the bakery.

Superintendent McGloin stated that he was present at the identification parades. He was also present at the Bridewell when both prisoners were charged. They were cautioned by the station-sergeant, and Thos. Nolan said: "I have nothing to say until I see my solicitor." Con Redmond said: "The charge is a fabrication."

Mr. Greene said that Nolan had not been in trouble before. He was in a position to give sureties of standing in the city, and in the circumstances he would ask for bail.

Bail was opposed, and the defendants were remanded until Wednesday in custody.

ALLEGED CHURCH-BREAKING

John Morrissey, of no fixed address, and Lawrence O'Toole, Sandwith court, Pearse street, who were on remand since December 20 on a charge of having broken and entered the Star of the Sea Church, Sandymount, on December 8, were again before the Court, when they were further charged with having broken into St. Mark's Church, Pearse street, on November 20, and breaking into the church, Seafield road, Clontarf.

The accused men were further remanded.

Inspector W. Maher, with Guard Dunphy, had charge of the case.

DONATIONS TO POOR BOX

SCHOOL BOY'S CONTRIBUTION

Inspector Brennan and Sergeant Ryan, on behalf of the Dance Committee of the "C" Division, Store street, presented to Mr. Cussen a donation of five guineas for the poor box.

Inspector Brennan said that the committee and members of the division fully appreciated what a great help the poor box was to the distressed and destitute people of the city.

Mr. Cussen said that the contribution was a very generous one. He had that morning received a communication from the Great Northern Railway Company enclosing a cheque for three guineas for the same worthy object. He had also received £1 from a schoolboy who, arriving in Dublin from his school, read the appeal on behalf of the poor, and at once contributed his pocket-money. The boy's name was Marcus Baillie-Gage.

RICHER THAN THE ROTHSCHILDS

RHODESIA'S RACE OF MINERS

That Southern Rhodesia is as rich in minerals as South Africa is the opinion of Mr. F. P. Mennell, a prominent consulting geologist and mining engineer of Bulawayo.

"Rhodesia has been overshadowed by the Rand," he said in an interview. "If our gold mines had been 5,000 miles away from Johannesburg they would have received the attention they deserve. Expansion has been striking, and young Rhodesians are becoming a race of miners—yet there is still such a shortage of skilled men that the Government are taking steps to import miners from Cornwall.

"Southern Rhodesia alone is richer in 'base' minerals than the Union," he continued. "Every important commercial metal, except perhaps tin, is found in large quantities in the two Rhodesias. Some years ago Southern Rhodesia had reached the position in which for one year the output of base minerals actually exceeded the gold output in value. Then came the slump and the higher price of gold, but now base metals are creeping up again. Asbestos and chrome are two important products which are doing much better."

HELPING THE TOURIST

A HINT TO OTHER COUNTRIES

Southern Rhodesia is to allow tourist cars to enter the Colony without deposit.

The annoyance caused by Customs officials who, in most countries overseas, demand a heavy deposit, has been recognised by the Customs authorities of the Colony.

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COTTAGE in the West of Ireland to Let Unfurnished, land if required; fishing and hunting convenient; lovely country place, on Boyle River at Knockvicar, Co. Roscommon.—Peyton, Hermitage, Longford. 29 D

DALKEY—To Let, small, detached House, beautifully situated; every convenience.—B 1868, this office. 28 X

GREYSTONES—Wanted to Rent, House, 2 sitting-rooms, 3-4 bedrooms, modern. Address "Z 2410, House," this office.

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AT Ballsbridge—Small Furnished House to Let, 6 months.—Etchingham and Co., 11 Lower Baggot street.

CLONTARF—£110; sun parlour, 4 bedrooms; good garage; beside sea.—Arthur Jones, Son. 27 C

CLONTARF—Ellerslie, 37 Hollybrook road, semi-detached House; 2 sittingrooms, 6 bedrooms, every modern convenience. Particulars, 38 Hollybrook Park. Phone No.: Clontarf 148.

DETACHED, Milltown, close railway; 8 principal rooms, bath, garage, walled garden; £150.—Arthur Jones, Stephen's Green.

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ELDERLY couple want small non-basement House; South County Dublin; up to £1,600. Apply B 1846, this office.

WANTED, Furnished House, within a radius of 15 miles of Dublin, for 6 months, preferably with garage.—B 1874, this office. 28 B

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AT 21 Fitzwilliam square—Board Residence, every modern convenience; personal supervision; moderate. 80 20

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AT full Winton road, Leeson Park—Bed Sittingroom, full Board; electric light. 27 C

AT 31 Grosvenor place, Rathmines—Superior accommodation, Full or Partial; late dinner if desired. 28 D

BED-SITTER, 15/- per week, double £1; all conveniences.—41 Upper Mount street. 20 E

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GENTLEMAN requires Bedroom and breakfast only, homely R.C. family, Donnybrook district. Replies please state terms and if other boarders.—B 1851, this office.

MARRIED couple want Furnished Room or Flatlet, £1 or 30/- week; January 1st-8th; South side.—B 1875, this office.

WANTED, Combined Room or small Flatlet, N. C. road district. Address "Z 2411, Apartments," this office.

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